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Montreal, October 21, 1925.

Sir Arthur Currie,
McGill University,
Sherbrooke Street West,
Montreal.

Dear Sir:-

In to-day's, Wednesday's, issue of "The Gazette" there is an appeal for funds made by Mrs. A. Smith, Secretary of the Kinswoman's Club, 320 Decelles Street, on behalf of infirm teachers (see Page 5). This fund, according to her letter, will be placed in your charge, and I write to enquire whether Mrs. Smith has approached you in this matter for permission to use your name as curator of the "Sargent Endowment Fund."

Mrs. Sargent-Smith is well-known to the Family Welfare Association, and is, at present, receiving assistance from our funds. She discussed with our worker the possibility of opening a subscription fund to send her back to England, and mentioned your name as one who knew her intimately. We know that if Mrs. Smith returned to England there is no one who would be willing to care for her, and that unless she had sufficient money to keep her from becoming a public charge she would be deported back to Canada.

Might I ask that if your permission has been secured to use your name in connection with this fund that you accord me an interview so that I can lay the full facts of the case before you, while if your consent has not been obtained, I think it would be desirable if you issued some official denial of your connection with same.

We shall continue to care for Mrs. Smith, who is attempting to run a rooming house at 320 Decelles Avenue, which house she took against our advice, and refused our offer of caring for her in rooms. At the present moment our assistance amounts to an average of \$30.00 a month.

Very truly yours,
FAMILY WELFARE ASSOCIATION,

PER. *G. B. Clarke*
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