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YOUR NO.

General Sir Arthur Currie,
McGill University,
Montreal, Que.

My dear Arthur:

I arrived here about a week ago and have been having a few days shooting with my brother, Neville, whom you will remember. We have had some good fun and obtained a fair number of birds.

Neville is now second partner in the old firm noted above, and has been telling me some of the difficulties he has experienced, and in one matter I think you can help him out, and if you can, it will be much appreciated by all of us.

Until the absorption by the Bank of Montreal of the Bank of British North America, the late E.C. Emery, Esq. K.C., head of this firm, was Solicitor for the Bank of Montreal at Edmonton, and the firm did all the work; --Neville handling a lot of it. After this event, a considerable portion of the legal work was given to Messrs. Griesbach & O'Connor. The Bank of Montreal then absorbed the Merchants Bank here and the Manager of the latter branch bank became Manager of the Bank of Montreal here. All business of the Bank of Montreal was then given to the firm of Lyburn & Reid who had been acting as Solicitors for the Merchants Bank here, so this firm lost it all, and were at a disadvantage in that, being known to the profession generally as handling the Bank of Montreal business, they did not care to take business in which the Bank of Montreal was interested.

The greatest disadvantage ^{under} in which Neville labors is that he is not a K.C. This as you know, is a Provincial appointment and Lyburn is Attorney General in the present Government. The new list of appointments is