Personal: Please Forward. 1619 Wilmot Place. victoria, B.C., July 20th. 1921. Sir Arthur Currie, G.C.M.G., L.L.D., Principal, McGill University. Montreal, Que. Sir:-I have today received from Downing Street letter informing me of favorable action taken in London regarding my application for appointment to the Colonial Service, and further stating that no provision exists either for refund of whole or part of passage money, or for increase of allowance in the case of Canadian appointments. As you will realize, the financial outlay involved in the event of appointment would in any case be considerable, and in view of the special circumstances as above I have decided, after careful consideration, that I can proceed no further in the matter. I attach for your information copy of letter which I have today forwarded to the Colonial Office. May I say that I appreciate very much not only the action of the University in their approval of my application, but (more especially) the courteous attention which you have given personally to the matter since its inception. I have the honor to be. Sir. ROBT, S. O. TARA RSO. S. Enc.