

May 15th, 1933.

Sir Arthur Wm. Currie, G.C.M.G., K.C.B., LL.D.,
Principal and Vice-Chancellor,
McGill University, Montreal, Que.

Dear Sir Arthur,

I should like to know if it would be possible to obtain a grant in aid of my research into the old Architecture of French Canada from the Carnegie, Guggenheim or other research foundation. An amount of say \$1000 or \$1500 spread over two years would be of the greatest value.

I commenced this work in 1925 and since then I have published sixteen papers of which I append a list. These are either general papers or monographs of existing buildings. They were published in the Journals of the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada, of the Royal Institute of British Architects and elsewhere, and have been reissued by McGill University.

The historical material is based upon personal research in the contemporary parish and other records; in this I have had the assistance of Mr. Marius Barbeau, Professor Adair and Mr. G. A. Neilson. The Architectural material includes measured drawings, photographs and technical description and is almost entirely my own work. The whole of the original material, records, drawings and photographs, is being classified and will, I hope, always remain in McGill University as a record of the old French Canadian Culture.

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