March 9th, 1926.

Dr. W. L. Grant, Principal, Upper Canada College, Toronto, Ont.

My dear Principal Grant :-

I beg to acknowledge your letter of March 4th with reference to Colonial Office Appointments.

The present scheme was introduced about four years ago to recruit candidates for the Colonial Service from Canadian universities. The branches to which candidates may be appointed are:

- (1) Administrative
- (2) Medical
- (3) Scientific (Geologists, Chemists,
  - Agriculturists).

In each of the larger Canadian Universities a Selection Committee interviews candidates and, if it approves of them, forwards the applications to a Central Committee of which Mr. J. M. Macdonnell of the National Trust Company of Montreal is the Secretary. This Central Committee may forward the candidate's name to the Colonial Office, where it is added to the regular list and considered when any suitable vacancy in the Service arises.

The Colonial Office at present is, I understand, willing to consider first class agricultural officers and medical men and would also like to obtain one or two Canadians annually for the Administrative Branch if really good men