

Mr. Kynoch, who is an expert in timber and forestry, is very strongly in favour of keeping the Laboratories in Montreal and is willing, so far as is in his power, to cooperate with the University in establishing a school for training experts in paper and pulp. The Laboratories have obtained greater recognition by the public on account of their connection with McGill than they would as a Department of the Federal Government. All those immediately connected with the Laboratories recognize this.

If the Laboratories go to Ottawa in the near future, they will undoubtedly become routine departmental laboratories with no incentive or encouragement for research, and it would be difficult later on to make them part of a Research Institute. This latter course has been advocated by Sir George Foster. They would, however, lose the advantage of immediate contact with the University and its scientific branches, as well as not having access to such a library as we have in the Department of Chemistry. Personally, I consider the best interests of Canada and of the Laboratories themselves can be served by keeping them in connection with McGill. If they be moved to Ottawa, this should be done later on when they could be made a special department in the Research Institute, where sufficient salaries would be offered to attract first class research men in cellulose and in the utilization of the waste products of the wood industry.

In discussing the question with Dr. Adams, he suggested that the University offer the Department the right to build a laboratory on the present site under favorable conditions. If that be refused, a powerful effort might be made to bring political influence to

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