

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

P e r s o n a l

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Dear Sir Arthur:

Griffith, Principal of Ridley College, has written asking me to suggest a course for a very promising boy in his School who desires to enter railway service. The question he particularly asks is whether McGill University has any special course which would give a grounding in railway work.

The Transportation Course at the University has been abolished and while this Company gives free scholarships, they are restricted to apprentices, employees under twenty-one years of age and to minor sons of employees. The scholarships are also confined to architecture, chemical, civil, mechanical and electrical engineering.

Railway work is now so diversified that a boy who specialized in any branch of engineering would probably have to confine his activities afterwards to that particular department. A knowledge of engineering, mechanical or civil, is, of course, valuable to a railway engineer or operator but in other branches of the service the best introduction is a sound general education which, in my opinion, should involve political economy or the commerce course.

I do not like to reply definitely to Griffith