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Sir Arthur Currie, Principal,
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Montreal, P.Q.

Dear Sir Arthur:

I have had mailed to you a copy of the April issue of the "Engineering Journal", and on page 212 you will find a short sketch of my engineering experience. From this sketch you will see that I graduated from McGill University in 1896, since which time I have been in British Columbia.

The Vancouver Harbour Board are about to be reconstituted, three new Members being appointed. Two of these Members, and, if a strong protest is not entered, the entire Board will be political appointees knowing nothing whatever of the conditions appertaining to the Vancouver Harbour, having no engineering qualifications and having no fitness for the position other than their political affiliations. The local paper, "The Sun", (formerly "The News Advertiser") realizing the danger to the Port of Vancouver of this condition of affairs, has been in communication with the Hon. J. H. King and the Hon. Ernest Lapoint, Ministers at Ottawa, urging upon them the appointment of a third man who is an engineer to nullify the political complexion of the Board. I personally knew nothing about this until it was well advanced, and I care very little how the appointment goes, not requiring the salary which would be distributed to local charities, but I am interested in the proper development of the Harbour of Vancouver and think that it is engineering job pure and simple and as such should be composed of Engineers; and having very large interests also in marine matters in the Harbour of Vancouver, and being a member of the B.C. Tow Boat Owners' Association, I would be able to do something, perhaps a great deal, towards improving or furthering the interests of the local ship and tow boat owners.

It appears to me that it is very desirable that a McGill graduate should be on this Board, and I am therefore writing you to see if you could drop a note to the Minister of Public Works and to the Hon. Ernest Lapoint pointing out the