

PARIS, 26. RUE BARBET-DE-JOUY. VIII<sup>e</sup>

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Dear General Currie,

I hope you did get in due time the letter in which I conveyed you back Marshal Joffre's thanks for your kind message and salutations which he greatly appreciated. He was very much interested by your present position and by what I told him of your kindness to my son & my nephew, Marquis de Lévis.

In that same letter I did let you know the date when they are due at Montréal (29<sup>th</sup> of May), and I told you I was hoping the Hon. Mr. Georges Gonthier would kindly manage to let them have a position at an experimental school between their arrival in Canada and the moment when they should join McDonald College.

I have just received a letter from Mr. G. Gonthier telling me he has had the opportunity of seeing you and talking the matter over with you. You know therefore he has arranged with the Deputy-Minister of Agriculture that my son & his cousin shall go to the Dominion Experimental Farm at Ottawa pending the time when McDonald College opens.

Referring to your first letters dated April 2<sup>nd</sup> & July 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1924, I see that the College year commences in the third week in September, that you could promise me for my son and my nephew at least board and lodging, and while they are taking the regular college courses their board would cost them seven dollars a week. You kindly added it would be possible for them to take a selected course made up from the timetables set forth and choose first, second, third or fourth year work, and go on as long as they think it profitable, say until the term ends in April, 1926. I rely on your kindness to guide them in their work and what may be most useful to them. As a matter of fact they have got at the High Agricultural School of Angers a good knowledge of agronomy & agriculture from the scientific point of view: they now wish to acquire more practical experience, especially in horticulture, dairying, poultry- & stock-breeding.

It is so very good of you, dear General Currie, to take such kind interest in these two young men! I beg to remain

Yours most thankfully and sincerely,

*J. de Maistre - Marquis*