

Moved by Dr. J. G. McDougall of Halifax, seconded by Dr. W. G. Campbell of Winnipeg, and carried, that the following Memorial be forwarded to Sir Arthur Currie, Principal of McGill:

We congratulate Sir Arthur Currie on accepting the honorable and responsible position of Principal of McGill University, and express to him our loyal and hearty support in every endeavor he may make to advance the influence and usefulness of McGill, believing, that his well proven qualities for organization, co-operation and inspiring leadership, will meet a heeded requirement of the University at the present time.

McGill is a great national institution, and, as things go in this country, a venerable institution; for, while probably there is no civilized country without older Universities, in a country so young as ours, a University that can celebrate its centenary, surely has some vested rights in the intellectual life of its entire citizenship.

McGill was for years the only University in Canada that drew to its halls, students from every nook and corner of the whole country and considerably from the whole North American continent, as well as many of the sons of prominent men in the Motherland. There is nothing provincial in McGill or her sons; what other Canadian institution can boast the same? Not only are most other Canadian Universities provincial in character, but provincial in constitution and control, and supported largely by government endowment.

In spite of this apparent financial disadvantage, McGill was for years the pioneer in higher education in Canada; she was at all times an ideal and an inspiration for other Universities. We are anxious, and as far as possible determined, that the same standard and ideal shall be maintained; that she shall be in the future as she was in the past, a leading, progressive, national University; that sh