

December 10th, 1931.

General Eric McCuaig,
Chairman,
Montreal Relief Committee,
276 St. James Street,
MONTREAL.

Dear Eric:-

As you are no doubt aware, McGill has entered upon a programme of research into the problems of Unemployment, particularly in Montreal. (A copy of the general programme and the detailed projects under way this year is included herewith). Your Committee in charge of the Vitre Street Refuge is dealing with the largest and most important group of unemployed in the city, and I am writing to ask your co-operation in our research.

In connection with the projects started this year, and as part of the general survey, we are anxious to obtain, as far as it is practical, information by questionnaire from some or all of the unemployed men being provided for this year at the Refuge. Mr. Clarke has already offered us, through Mr. L.C. Marsh, (Director for our Social Research Council) his ready co-operation; and we are aware of the limited opportunities of securing information at the Refuge. But we should be very glad to have your Committee consider this proposal and the possibilities of securing information in some organised way. Mr. Marsh would be very glad to see you or your Committee on the matter; and I should be personally grateful for all the assistance you can offer us. We are aiming, I need hardly say, not merely at a limited academic study, but at work which will enable some contribution to be made to communal welfare.

Ever yours faithfully,

Principal.