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Sir Arthur Currie, K. C. B., McGill University, Montreal, Canada.

My dear Sir Arthur:

You doubtless received my telegram, expressing regret that before receiving your message of yesterday, arrangements had already been completed for our Washington's Birthday Celebration. It would have been a great pleasure to us to have had you with us. As soon as I received your letter, telling me of your inability to be with us on February 22d, I thought of you as the man, whom it would be a special pleasure and privilege to have with us on June 15th, as our Commencement Day speaker. Having been disappointed in my first efforts, may I hear from you to the effect that you will be with us in June. Your visit as the representative of Canada would have special significance and would be regarded as an occasion of no ordinary interest to all, who were so fortunate as to meet you and hear you.

With high regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Josiah H. Penniman