



DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
PROVINCE OF QUEBEC
MINISTERS OFFICE

1933 negotiations -
Grant cut to \$45,000

Quebec, February 7th, 1933.

*Mr. Bentley
Please note return*

Sir Arthur-W. Currie, G.C.M.G., K.C.B.,
Principal and Vice-Chancellor,
McGill University,
Montreal.

Dear Sir Arthur Currie,

A slight indisposition
has prevented me to answer sooner your letter
of the 26th ultimo.

I would feel very sorry
that this letter should disappoint you. When
you asked us if you could count on the \$50,000.00
grant which has been paid to MacDonald College
since a few years, I was under the impression
that you meant only the present fiscal year 1932-
1933. As the appropriations were already voted
for this year, I therefore had no hesitation in
telling you that you would receive the same amount.

I could have told you, at
the same time, that I was hoping you would receive
the same grant in 1933-1934. But, owing to the
considerable decrease in the Revenues of the
Province, we were therefore obliged to cut down
our estimates for the Agricultural Schools and,
for 1933-1934, it has been decided to reduce by
\$5,000.00 the grant to MacDonald College, meaning
to say that we do hope to maintain same at the
amount of \$45,000.00. I shall be more able to
give you a definite answer in a few days.

I hope that the lowering
in the cost of living will permit you to continue
the wonderful work which you have carried out at
MacDonald for the agricultural education. Allow me,
Sir, to personally thank you on behalf of the agri-
cultural community of our Province for same.

Yours respectfully,

Henri Fournier