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Sir Arthur W. Currie  
Principal and Vice Chancellor  
McGill University  
Montreal, Canada

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of June 27th.

We should be very sorry indeed to lose Professor Bradley from our staff but, of course, if a promotion is available to him we would not stand in the way of his securing it.

Knowing Professor Bradley as I do, I should not hesitate to select him as Head of the Department of Bacteriology in an agricultural college. He has had excellent training and experience for such a position. He is a hard worker, a pleasant associate, and intelligent and interested member of the College Faculty, and until we transferred him to teaching work was a skillful organizer and prosecutor of research work in our Experiment Station.

He has been on our teaching faculty for only two years but has rendered very satisfactory service and has a high standing among the students as an Instructor. It is my understanding that his teaching duties here have dealt largely with advanced courses in Bacteriology rather than with the beginning general courses but he has had close contact with the general teaching work of the Department here and I am sure is adequately in touch with the latter.

As I said at the beginning, I shall regret very much to have Professor Bradley leave here if he finally decides to do so and you decide to appoint him to the position in your College. On the other hand, I shall congratulate both him and you upon an enlarged opportunity for service if he goes to you.

Cordially yours,

*R. N. Thatcher*  
President