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Knapp Manor.  
Prescott, Ontario. Oct. 12th, 1933.

Dear Sir Arthur;

McGill is in need of money and so am I, which inspires this letter, and if you will give it the consideration it needs and then co-operate with me to the extent suggested, it WILL result in placing our University in a very independent financial position.

The subject is so contrary to all accepted notions that you must be prepared to ignore conventionalism and think and act on your own initiative regarding the following proposal.

Some 12 years ago I discovered a simple natural law by which I could see that electrical ENERGY could be multiplied indefinitely, but I did not know how to do it, and started out to find a way.

Because it contradicts everything taught in the schools of science regarding what they have been taught to call "POWER," I was unable to get any assistance from the highly trained technicians, so I went to my old friend the late Sir William Mackenzie, explained my discovery to him, he saw it at once and, that "we" as he put it, must work it out. So he gave me the necessary money out of his own pocket and allowed me to use his name as being behind it and he and his friends kept me going till they all died, and I had to get along as best I could, without money or friends.

At last I have solved my problem and the method is so extremely simple that it amazes me that someone had not done it before, until I think of the attitude of the doctors of Physics whom I have talked to and realize that they "must be shown" and that that type of mind always has been and always will be incapable of acquiring knowledge by the process of inductive reasoning. Bell, Marconi and the Wrights found it just as I have. They had to demonstrate, and so must I.

After I had cleared the way, I applied to the patent office for protection and now have it from the experts of the British Patent Office up to whom I put the issue squarely, THAT ALL POWER FORMULAE ARE FALLACIES, and these men after 15 months of consideration of my claims backed by my unassailable arguments, say that I am right, mark my specification, "Complete Accepted" and have issued my patent which protects me for MY DISCOVERY and for ANY MECHANICAL METHOD BY WHICH IT CAN BE APPLIED FOR THE MULTIPLICATION OF ELECTRICAL ENERGY.

I have now an electrical engineer who has learned his lessons with me, and he is building me a power unit to my design and to keep him going I need \$1,000.

Electricity can be produced my way at a cost of \$1 or less a K.W.-YEAR and this will create the greatest revolution in industry that has ever been seen besides rendering all fuels obsolete for HEATING, light and power. When you can heat your home by closing a switch, you will never bother with coal, oil or gas, will you? Besides, electricity produced my way is also much cheaper than any fuels.

I have been told by experts that if such a thing as I propose could be done, I can readily get \$5 a KW-YEAR royalty, and because I am now in my 80th year and must make hay while the Sun shines, I will take this \$5. This leads to the point of what I propose for McGill without shocking you, and that is \$10,000,000 at least and within the next 12 months, if you can and will help out now.

Now there are lots of men at Montreal whom you know and who if shown a reasonable <sup>chance</sup> of getting back \$10,000 for an investment with me of \$10,000 now, will advance me this money. I will give my personal undertaking to this affect to such a man, and to you to give the University out of one third of my royalties, as and when received by me, such sums as will aggregate the sum of \$10,000,000 and you should have it within 12 months, I think

To show my faith, your man need only give me his check for \$1,000 now and \$9,000 as soon as the machine is demonstrating. If you can find such a man, and there are plenty, perhaps he will run up here to see me where I can show him everything. What do you say?

Yours very Sincerely,

*F. A. Knapp*