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General Sir Arthur Currie, G.C.M.G., etc.,  
Principal of McGill University,  
MONTREAL.

Dear Sir Arthur Currie:-

Allow me to express my profound appreciation and thanks for your gracious communication of the 26th ultm.. In response I venture to observe:

I was very sorry to learn of Mr. Glassco's illness last summer, and I hope that he is now entirely restored to health.

It gives me great pleasure to know, that you approve of my suggestion to have a letter of presentation read at the Convocation Ceremony on October 13th concerning my archaeological gift to the University. However, inasmuch as I may now hope for the pleasure of speaking on the Nestorian Monument in the University after the arrival of the STELA from Rome, and inasmuch as I am informed that a new Danish consul-general has been sent to your city, whom I do not have the honor of knowing personally, I have thought it better -- subject to your consent -- that the letter of presentation be read either by you on the 13th, or by some one in the Chinese or some other Department of the University, whom you might appoint for that task.

In any event I enclose such a letter of presentation for you to do with as you may deem wise.

In regards to the Academy at Naples, I take the liberty of remarking that military leaders are also, ipso facto, elected members of this Academy, and I mention at once the two Italian Generals Diaz and Badoglio. Military Science, after all, is undeniably Science, a fact I recall unpleasantly enough since the years I struggled with a naval officer's education. Also, you are aware, that both Joffre and Foch are members of the Académie Française? Having been elected, most undeservedly, to membership myself, it was but a natural thing to do for the year's president of the Academy to ask me to deliver or forward one or two diplomas in this country. I therefore take the liberty of mailing separately your (not quite correctly worded) diploma to your office in the fervent hope that you will not refuse this intended honor for yourself and McGill. However, whether you return the diploma, or merely send a letter of thanks, the name and address of the present president is: PROF.DOTT. nob. PIETRO AMOROSO, 24 Via Incoronata, Napoli, Italia; and I recommend registering any communication to Naples.

I have the honor of remaining, with renewed thanks,  
Very Sincerely Yours,

  
LL.D., D.C.L.