

19 West 31st St.,

New York City

May 24th, 1924.

General Sir A. W. Currie, G.C.B., K.C.M.G.
McGill University,
Montreal, Canada.

Dear Sir Arthur:

Recently I have been in discussion with members of the firm of Peabody Houghteling & Co., with regard to the possibilities of becoming their Canadian representative in Montreal; and in this regard I presumed on the privilege of using your name as a reference.

Possibly you know Mr. Alexander Smith, the President of this Company, who will be in Montreal on Monday at the Ritz Carlton Hotel. It occurred to me that at any rate you were a friend of Mr. C. R. Hosmer, to whom personally I have been only introduced and I doubt if Mr. Hosmer would remember me. Mr. Hosmer is a great friend, I believe, of Mr. Smith and I wonder if you would be kind enough to 'phone to Mr. Hosmer and ask him if he would speak to Mr. Smith on my behalf.

I hope you will pardon my presumption in asking such a favor of you but I am very eager to have Mr. Smith consider my credentials as favorably as possible, believing that this firm of bankers are such that I could represent in Canada to the greatest advantage.

With warmest regards to you and Lady Currie,

Yours faithfully,

A. E. Laurden