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VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA

April 15, 1933.

Sir Arthur Currie,  
President,  
McGill University,  
Toronto, Ontario.

Dear Sir Arthur:

One of my boys, George, did rather brilliantly in his University course, and graduated with degree of B. Com. from the University of British Columbia when barely nineteen. He had an average of over 80% throughout his entire course, and took prizes in Economics and French. After graduating last year he went to the Institut du Commerce at Antwerp where he had the advantage of studying Economics under Professor Baudhuin, and banking under an Antwerp banker whose name I have forgotten. He was also a student du course in the L'Aigle Belge, an insurance company. I expect he will shortly be going to the Empire Marketing Board in London for a short time.

I have felt that there is a demand for highly qualified economists in Canada, and have endeavoured to assist George as much as possible in this way.

The Dean of Faculty at the University of British Columbia has suggested that there might be some teaching scholarships or fellowships available in McGill, and if George could secure one he would be able to pursue his studies. The Dean also suggested I write to the Head of the Faculty there, but I felt that you would not mind my troubling you. If there is anything you can do in this connection it would be greatly appreciated.

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Things are quiet out here with us as may be expected. The only bright spot is that our Victoria Basket-Ball Team last night won the Western Championship, and is now in the play-off for Canadian title. Two of Lester Patrick's boys are on the team, both fine young fellows; in Victoria we have a group of very fine young men, all local boys, on our team. I went out to see basket-ball played for the first time since the old days of the Fifth Regiment at the Drill Hall.

With very kindest regards, I remain,

Yours sincerely,

April 21, 1933.

H. C. Hall, Esq., K.C.,  
313 Central Building,  
Victoria, B. C.

Dear Harry,

I have your letter of the 15th with reference to your son, who has had such a brilliant academic record up to the present. I am quite sure there is a place for men of such training as his in Canada. I am sorry to have to say that all the teaching scholarships and fellowships at McGill have been filled for next year, so that I am afraid there is nothing I can do towards bringing him here.

What you tell me about Victoria's success in basketball is interesting and pleasing news. You know, I still take the old COLONIST and keep in fairly close touch with Victoria. I suppose Lester Patrick has returned for the summer. He had great success as a leader of the New York Rangers this year. Lester is very popular and very highly respected in the senior hockey service. His brother Frank is a graduate of this University.

Please remember me kindly to Victoria friends, and with kindest personal wishes to you,

I am,

Ever yours faithfully,

Principal

December 2, 1926.

A.G. Halstead, Esq.,  
47 Wellington Street East,  
Toronto.

Dear Mr. Halstead:-

Your letter this morning reminds me that I should have written a line to you last week with reference to the tickets.

I did what I could with those placed at our disposal, but they had all been taken up by the time your telegram arrived, and I knew very well that you would not wish me to deprive another of the opportunity of seeing the game, in order to oblige you. I am glad to learn that you were able to get tickets in the end.

The victory of Toronto was especially pleasing to us here. I think it would have been a very bad thing for intercollegiate football if Queen's had retained the championship.

With all good wishes, I am,

Yours faithfully,

MCGILL UNIVERSITY  
PRINCIPAL AND VICE-CHANCELLOR  
L. W. DOUGLAS

December 14, 1938

My dear Mr. Hambourg,

I am so very sorry that as things happened I was engaged at the moment you called yesterday, as I was most anxious to see you again. However, it is entirely my fault that there was a mix-up, and the loss is mine.

With kindest regards and best wishes,

Yours very sincerely.

Boris Hambourg, Esq.,  
Hart House String Quartet,  
Care Hart House, Toronto, Ont.

## **DOCKET STARTS:**

HANFELT, BROR

(old number 3578<sup>a</sup>) 8142 St. Denis-Street April 30<sup>th</sup> 1925  
Montreal, Canada

The Right Hon. Sir Arthur Currie,  
Principal Mc Gill University,  
Montreal, P. Q.

Dear Sir Arthur:

I am extremely obliged to you for your kindness to help me and herewith I am sending you a brief summary of my doing during the last ten years.

If the 24<sup>th</sup> of Oct. 1914 I was appointed "Armanente" of the Forst. Dep. of the Univ. of Lund, in which position I with two interruptions held for 12 halfyear terms. From the 1<sup>st</sup> of May 1915 until Sept. 1918 I was in charge of the Swedish State Museum in Stockholm. The summers and falls of 1918 and 1919 I was in charge of the Agri. and Forest Dep. of Hoveden both in office and field work.

If during my last halfyear term at the University I also held a position as manager of a lim. Comps. and for a following 14 months term I devoted all my time to business. The 1<sup>st</sup> of Sept. 1922 I engaged myself in teaching being connected with a Swedish state high school as a teacher of chemistry, biology, geography, mathematics. During the fall term I was also connected with the abovementioned Comps but during the spring term with the Museum of Gothenburg. From the 10<sup>th</sup> of June to the 7<sup>th</sup> of July 1923 I was at this museum making ready the last work in finishing the Forst. Dep. There. This was an entirely new dep. which I have done myself.

The dep. is three times as large as the dysman-room. I have made all the sketches for interior and work, for the arrangement of the insect groups, the mounting and determination of the specimens, the buying of all necessary things a.s.o.

3/ From the 8<sup>th</sup> of July 1923 to the 8<sup>th</sup> of Oct. 1924 I was in charge of the Swedish State Museum of Stockholm during three months as curator. As I started my journey to Canada during my holidays I was able to be in Montreal the 10<sup>th</sup> of Oct. last fall. I got money for the journey from the Swedish Academy of Sciences from which I got one scholarship of 5000 Kr. for the time 23/IV 1924 - 22/V 1925 and a new one of 500 Kr for buying some material. A cable has informed me that my report and my four papers have been approved, and the latter accepted for printing.

4/ During my stay in Montreal I had devoted all my time to entomological researches, the kind of which Prof. Willey will be able to tell. At the chemical library I have studied the dyestuff-chemistry, as I was not acquainted with this particular part of the chemistry, and I need it for my researches.

5/ Although my records show I have been engaged in entomology and other learned work during the most of the last ten years, I by far not am unfamiliar with the practical side of the life. Owing to the fact that I have been participating in the moving of three large Museums to new buildings I have been forced to learn the principles of such things as masonry, carpentry, architectural drawings a.s.o. During my connection with the Agr. Dep. I had to interest one in farming also such things as farm-management, farm-engineering, farm-buildings, seed-growing a.s.o.

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Both previous to and after my term as business manager I have been engaged in business both such of my own as that of the above <sup>meat</sup> company, the Museums and the High school. Indeed I have a fairly good knowledge of business-management, accountancy, &c. &c. For a firm which have overseas-connection esp. with Northern Europe I will prove a valuable asset much more than my records show.

As for seed-growing I have been a member of the oldest Mendelian Society of the world for many years and the scientific staffs of such famous Swedish institutions as Bralöv, Wallenstholm and Alnarp are all acquaintances of mine.

My best asset is my ability to think and to act independently of other peoples opinions and methods I commonly not accept before having been able to examine them.

Further informations concerning me are to be seen in the enclosed letters. Mr T. R. Ker has moved from St. James Street last fall. Lt. Col. W. C. Nicholson (Cork & Mc Gee, Place d'Armes 2), a son of Dr Nicholson of Mc Gill and Dr J. W. Gordall Sherbrooke Street 762 (?) as well as the Swedish Consul General M. Clarkholm, St. Catherine Street 511 room 813 will be able to deliver other informations.

Thanking you beforehand for all you will be able to do to me I remain

Yours very faithfully  
Dror Hamfelt

May 12th, 1925.

Bror Hamfelt, Esq.,  
8142a St. Denis Street,  
Montreal.

Dear Mr. Hamfelt:-

I wish to thank you for your letter of this morning and let me assure you I appreciated the fine courtesy which prompted you to write it.

It is true that we have in Montreal a great many old soldiers out of work and one is greatly worried at times at the apparent impossibility of finding congenial employment not only for them but for the others who ask one's help. I am sorry that you have not got something to do here and I wish you every success wherever you go. It is a pity that men like yourself, of education, ability and willingness to work, should not get an opportunity.

I am enclosing herewith the letters you ask for.

Yours faithfully,

8142<sup>2</sup> St. Denis-Street May 11<sup>th</sup> 1924  
Montreal, P.Q.

General Sir Arthur Currie,  
Principal Mc Gill University;  
Montreal!

Dear Sir Arthur,

I am very sorry I am troubling so very much, but when I read the newspaper of to-day, I decided to start to New-York. As you already have so many ex-soldiers to take care of you hardly may permit yourself to help aliens. "Charity begins at home" and it seems me a pity about all the fine fellows, who have done their most for Canada and now is out-of-work. Therefore I will try myself, but as I have entirely failed in Canada I must go to New-York where I have friends, who have told me, they are able to secure work. As I also have to visit Washington, where I have friends among the officers of the U.S. Nat. Mass.

As you are very busy I do not wish to disturb you, but, please, kindly put my letters in a cover and hand it over to Mrs Chesley. If you also will drop a line or two, that you do not know one of having done anything bad here I would appreciate it very much.

My wife and my children are staying in Montreal.  
Yours very truly  
Broor Hamfelt

8142<sup>a</sup> St. Denis Street Nov. 10<sup>th</sup> 1925  
Montreal, P.Q., Canada.

Sir Arthur Currie,  
Principal McGill University,  
Montreal,

Dear Sir Arthur:

The writer of this letter is the Swedish Entomologist, who six months ago asked you to help him to a job.

I am sorry to bother you, but my wife urged me to return to Montreal and as I have three children and no work I am taking these facts as reasons for bothering you. Please, will you pardon me?

Do you know anyone who dare to take a man for a fortnights trial? To me the main thing is to start. Once started I will no doubt be able to handle the job, if I previous have declared I shall be able to handle it.

Being an expert only in entomology in which a situation to one here in Canada is out of question, it is mainly as an applicant for a laborers job I am writing you. I have knowledges of chemistry (B.Sc.) electricity (D.L.Cooke El. School, Chicago) and carpentry and plumbing, with actual experience in the last three although not an experts experience.

If you shall meet anyone, who needs the services of a man with two strong arms and a good brain and a desire to use them, will you kindly give him my address.

Very sincerely yours  
Fvor. Wm. M. Felt.

**DOCKET ENDS:**

HAMFELT, BROR.

**DOCKET STARTS:**

HAMMOND, S.A.

RAYMOND FOSDICK  
PRESIDENT ROCKEFELLER FOUNDATION  
49 WEST 49th STREET NEW YORK

November 8, 1938

MR. S. A. HAMMOND COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION FOR BRITISH WEST INDIES IS HERE  
AND WOULD APPRECIATE INTERVIEW WITH YOU DO YOU PLAN TO BE IN NEW YORK  
EITHER FRIDAY THIS WEEK OR FIRST TWO OR THREE DAYS NEXT WEEK IF SO WILL YOU  
TELEGRAPH ME HERE REGARDS

L.W.DOUGLAS

MEMORANDUM

FROM THE PRINCIPAL AND VICE-CHANCELLOR

TO \_\_\_\_\_

McGILL UNIVERSITY

MONTREAL

*Southern Hotel* 9<sup>00</sup>

Commissioner of Education in the British West Indies

Mr. Hammond,

is here.

Wanting to see you.

I explained you couldn't see him today and were leaving **tonight** to be gone until Friday and wanted to turn him over to Registrar or Dean of Medicine or someone else. He's going to call again at 5.30 on the chance of speaking to you on phone.

I SAW IN PRESS THEY WERE THINKING OF ESTABLISHING THEIR OWN MEDICAL SCHOOL THERE - MANY OF THEIR MEDICAL STUDENTS ATTEND McGILL. I DONT KNOW WHETHER THIS IS IT OR NOT AS HE WOULDNT SAY

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BEST WISHES=

RAYMOND B FOSDICK.

Phoned Mr Hammond

**DOCKET ENDS:**

HAMMOND, S. 1A.