

Victor Braault
Professeur à l'Université de Montréal
McGill Conservatorium of Music

Can ~~Patronage~~
388 St James Street,
Montreal, P. Q.
October 25th, 1930.

Sir:--

The Canadian Opera Company has been formed to enable citizens of Canada to enjoy opera comparable to that played in Europe and the United States. A company of first class Canadian artists will be recruited and trained under the direction of Edward Johnson, famous Canadian tenor of the Metropolitan Opera House.

We are enclosing a list of subscribers who are giving their active support to this movement.

To adequately finance the project approximately \$50,000 is required and a number of prominent Montreal and Toronto citizens are now being approached in this respect. A total of \$12,000 has already been subscribed in lots averaging twenty shares (\$500.00) each. It is expected that the financing will be successfully accomplished within a few weeks, when rehearsals will be commenced.

For the protection of subscribers, no payment is to be made until \$50,000 has been underwritten, at which time only 25% of each subscription becomes payable.

We are desirous of securing your patronage in helping to establish Grand Opera in Canada, a necessity recognized by all those interested in the promotion of good music.

On this basis we ask for your support and enclose a subscription blank which we hope will receive your favourable consideration.

Respectfully yours,

Victor Braault

On behalf of

CANADIAN OPERA COMPANY LIMITED.

Sir Arthur Currie,
McGill University,
Sherbrooke St. W.,
Montreal.

Sir Arthur: I heard the other day that this is not likely to go through they are having great difficulty to raise the money

CANADIAN OPERA COMPANY LIMITED

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It is understood that this subscription shall not be binding on me unless and until shares of a total par value of Fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00) have been subscribed.

Dated at Montreal, P.Q., this..... day of 1930.

Name of Subscriber.....

Witness :

Address.....

[Return to : Room 47, 388 St. James Street West, Montreal.]

CANADIAN OPERA COMPANY LIMITED.

October 23rd, 1930.

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Messrs Ritchie, Brown & Coy,
Chartered Accountants.

October 29th, 1930.

Mr. Victor Brault,
Canadian Opera Company Limited,
388 St. James Street,
Montreal. P. Q.

Dear Mr. Brault,

I have your letter of October 25th, in which you ask me to support in a financial way the commendable effort you are making to establish the Canadian Opera Company.

From the beginning I have told you that I was sympathetic to this idea but I never considered the time opportune to launch the project. There are too many people like myself who are really unable to take on any more financial obligations. I am truly sorry that circumstances are such that I cannot subscribe.

Ever yours faithfully,

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Law

C. R. Clapp & Company

Insurance & Real Estate

53 ADELAIDE ST. EAST

Toronto

January 19th, 1922.

General Sir Arthur Currie,
McGill University,
MONTREAL, P.Q.

My dear Sir:-

I thank you for your kind and courteous letter of Jan. 14th. I am greatly disappointed that you have decided not to join our Board. While I do not know the extent of the information supplied you by our mutual friend, General Odium, I feel quite ashamed of the meagre details given in my previous letter. I should have emphasized the duties and responsibilities of a Director of a Fire Insurance Company.

The Federal Government maintains an Insurance Department with a competent staff of inspectors and auditors. Federal Insurance Companies are inspected and audited at least annually. The audit is now thorough and searching, and the Government Bluebooks give an accurate, detailed statement of the financial standing of the Companies. During the organization of an Insurance Company, the shareholders are protected by the Department and not by the provisional Directors. When the Company is organized and the license issued, the Department lends their maximum protection to the policy-holders. With the Insurance Act and the Insurance Department, policy and shareholders are amply protected, and Directors have very little responsibility. The success of a Fire Company depends almost entirely upon the management.

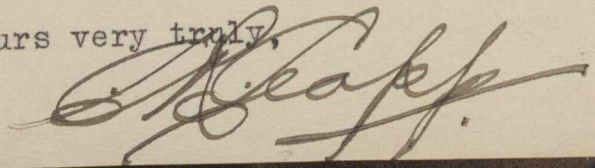
Your name is not provincial but national, and I may say, frankly, international. It would add greatly to the development and prestige of our Company. May I, therefore, take the liberty of asking you to reconsider my offer, or at least defer a final decision until I have an opportunity of seeing you personally.

I am not asking the Directors to personally subscribe for any stock. I will provide them with ten shares, par value \$1,000. The stock will likely be offered to the public at \$125., a premium of \$25.00 per share. As there can be no bonus stock, I must pay for this in cash.

I am most grateful for your kind offer of introduction to Sir Lomer Gouin. I may add that Mr. Roy, of Quebec City, will interview him. I am a little afraid that his new duties may prevent his acceptance.

Again thanking you sincerely for your letter, and hoping that you will generously reconsider the whole subject, I am,

Yours very truly,



CRC/J.

January
Fourteenth
1922.

C. H. Clapp Esq.,
53 Adelaide Street East,
Toronto, Ont.

Dear Sir:-

I have given the subject matter of your letter of December 14th every consideration, and have come to the conclusion not to accept your invitation to join the Board of Directors of the Fire Insurance Company which you are organizing.

I appreciate very much indeed the proffered courtesy, but I feel that there are others in the Province of Quebec who can give greater strength to your organization than I could.

I do not know Ernest Roy, K.C., but I do know Sir Lomer Gouin very well. I would be most happy to introduce you to him, should you come to Montreal and desire to see him.

I am very glad that my good friend General Odum is joining your Board as the British Columbia representative. He is actively engaged in business, and has a good knowledge of insurance matters. He also stands very high as an earnest, honest and honourable man.

Another thing that has influenced me in coming to this decision, I think, is that my work with the

University takes up every moment of my time available, and were I to join your Board I know that I would be nothing but a figurehead, for I would not have the time to do anything which would make for the Company's prestige or profit.

With all good wishes for your personal success, and for the success of the British Empire Insurance Company, and thanking you again most warmly for asking me to join you, I am,

Yours faithfully,

C. R. Clapp & Company
Insurance & Real Estate

53 ADELAIDE ST. EAST

Toronto

December 14th, 1921.

Genl. Sir Arthur Currie,
McGill University,
MONTREAL, P.Q.

My dear Sir:-

It has not been my good pleasure to know you personally, although I have heard considerably of you, even before the War, through our mutual friend, Brig.-Genl. Odlum. I understand that he has invited you to join us as Directors of a Fire Insurance Company which I am organizing, to be called the British Empire Assurance Company or some similar name. After thinking the matter over, I thought it was scarcely kind on my part not to extend you a direct invitation. I am proceeding slowly with the Board of Directors, and thus far have invited only three or four. Odlum has consented to act, which will represent British Columbia fairly well. Mr. J. R. Shaw has also consented. He is a graduate of Toronto University and a lawyer. He is Managing Director and Vice-President of the Canada Furniture Manufacturers, and also Vice-President of the Canadian Manufacturers Association. He is associated with a number of manufacturing concerns. He is a splendid fellow and well known throughout Canada. I have written, this week, to Dr. Pratten, of London, Ont., who is the Head of the Queen Alexandra Sanatorium and a personal friend of Sir Adam Beck. I have not heard from him yet, but have every reason to believe he will accept.

I may further add that Brig.-Genl. Odlum is very closely associated with me, and if you could possibly consent to act as Director, it will assist both of us very materially and would be appreciated very greatly by Odlum and myself. I shall endeavor to make the personnel of the Board acceptable to all who consent to act. I take it for granted that Odlum has explained to you that it will not be necessary to purchase any of the Stock unless you desire to do so. I am sorry that I cannot give you a list of your co-directors. As mentioned above, I have extended an invitation to only three or four, and thus far no one has refused. I want one or two men in the Province of Quebec, and have in mind Sir Lomer Gouin and Ernest Roy, K.C., of Roy, Morine, Langlais & Lavergne. I am intimately acquainted with Mr. Roy, but scarcely know Mr. Gouin. Possibly you could give me some assistance with him.

I will be very pleased to give you any further information which you might desire, and hoping you will consider the invitation favorably, I am,

Yours very truly,

C. R. Clapp

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Law

November
Thirteenth
1922.

Brooke Claxton, Esq.,
86 Notre Dame Street West,
Montreal.

Dear Mr. Claxton:-

Let me acknowledge receipt of
your letter of the 4th of November.

Professor Lloyd spoke to me some
days ago concerning the same matter and I promised
him that I would allow myself to be named as one
of the Directors of the Community Players Corporation.

I sincerely trust that the success of
this organization, great as it has been in the past,
will grow ever more in the years to come. There is
no doubt that the Community Players have forced them-
selves upon Montreal as an institution worthy of
hearty support and warm encouragement.

Yours faithfully,

Principal.

COMMUNITY PLAYERS OF MONTREAL

(INCORPORATED)

Committee :

PROF. B. K. SANDWELL
PROF. F. E. LLOYD
P. S. STEVENSON
CECIL T. GORDON



Committee :

T. T. MCG. STOKER
BROOKE CLAXTON
LT.-COL. E. G. M. CAPE, D.S.O.
O. R. SHARP

86 NOTRE DAME STREET WEST

MONTREAL, November 4th., 1922.

Dear Sir Arthur Currie:-

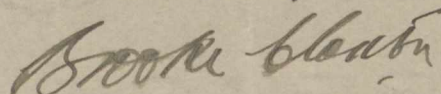
Some time ago, the Community Players, in order to put their organization on a more permanent basis, formed a Company with a capital of \$20,000. under the name of The Community Players of Montreal, Incorporated, and secured a number of subscriptions for the shares of the corporation. This new corporation is to be so constituted that the directors, elected by shareholders will delegate all their functions, except that of regulating the financial policy of the Community Players (i.e., the approval of contracts over a certain amount and of a general appropriation to cover usual expenses) to the Committee elected by the Members.

The Committee, believing you to be interested as a patron of art and as a citizen of Montreal, in our movement, have requested me to inform you that they have unanimously passed a resolution asking you to lend your name and support to the cause of the Community Players, by becoming a Director of the new corporation. The Committee would be deeply grateful if you would accept this nomination and assure you that your acceptance would entail no financial responsibility or call upon your time.

We are also asking Mr. Charles R. Hosmer and Mr. C.E. Neill to act upon this Board.

Yours very truly,

FOR THE COMMITTEE,



Hon. Secretary.

Sir Arthur Currie, K.C.M.G., K.C.B.
Principal,
McGill University,
Sherbrooke Street, W.,
MONTREAL.

Patronage

March
Twenty-third
1921.

W. Gordon Gould, Esq.,
C/o. The Sterling Printing Service, Ltd.,
Oliver Ave. & St. Catherine St.,
Westmount, Que.

Dear Sir:-

I shall be very pleased to act
as patron of Mr. Harcourt Farmer's lecture on
Shakespeare, which is to be given in Victoria
Hall, Westmount, on Tuesday, April 19th.

I hope the lecture will be a
success in every way.

Yours faithfully,

Principal.

Palrinnag

York Harbor, Maine, August 2, 1926.

Dr. Wilfred Grenfell,
St. Anthony, Newfoundland.

My dear Dr. Grenfell:

Let me acknowledge receipt of your letter
of July 12.

I will consider it an honor to be regarded
as a patron of the lectures which you are to deliver
in the Polytechnic Hall in London on your work in
Labrador. I sincerely hope that you meet with a great
measure of success.

With kindest wishes always, I am

Ever yours faithfully,

AWG:DP

ST. ANTHONY,
NEWFOUNDLAND

July 12, 1926.

Dear Sir Arthur:

I am to deliver a series of lectures for a fortnight in the Polytechnic Hall in London on Labrador and our work, with the help of Sir ~~Ky~~ Stodd, an old friend of mine, and Sheriff of London. I wanted to be permitted to place your name as one of the patrons of the lectures, together with that of the Prime Minister who has kindly accorded me his permission to do so. Your name is so well-known in England that it might be a help.

Believe me to be

Very sincerely yours,

W. J. C. Pe

General Sir Arthur Currie,
Government House,
Ottawa, Canada.

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Patronage

March
Sixteenth
1922.

Ernest Lortie, Esq.,
230 St. James Street,
Montreal.

Dear Sir:-

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of March 13th in reference to the formation of a Choral Society in order to perpetuate the memory of the celebrated French composer, Camille Saint-Saens.

I appreciate the honour you have done me in asking me to act as one of the Patrons of the Society and it will give me much pleasure to comply with your request. I hope that the first concert of the new Society, on April 20th next, will be a success in every way.

With all good wishes, I am,

Yours faithfully,

Principal.

Montreal March 13th 1922

Gen. Sir Arthur Currie,
Principal of the Mc.Gill University,
MONTREAL.

Dear Sir:-

Some days after the recent death of Camille Saint-Saens, the celebrated French composer, a Choral Society was formed in Montreal to perpetuate his memory, and with the object of becoming a permanent organization, somewhat like the old Montreal Philharmonic Society, its first concert will take place at the St. Denis Theatre, on April 20th next, with a performance in oratorio form of "Samson et Dalila".

The undersigned, president and conductor of the "Societe Chorale Saint-Saens, are now forming a committee of patrons, and amongst those who have already consented to join, are General Meighen, Sir Lomer Gouin, and Hon. L.A. David. General Meighen having said to us that he had no doubt that you would answer favorably to a request from us to become a patron of our concert, we now beg of you, as Principal of MC. Gill University, to kindly allow us to number you amongst our patrons, and we express the hope that your reply will be favorable.

We beg to remain,

Yours most respectfully,

Fred. Pelletier

Conductor.

#45 Laval Avenue,
MONTREAL.

Ernest Fortin

Président

#230 St. James St.,
MONTREAL.

Re. Wilson Macdonald

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August 13, 1923.

Lorne Pierce, Esq.,
The Methodist Book & Publishing House,
Toronto, Ont.

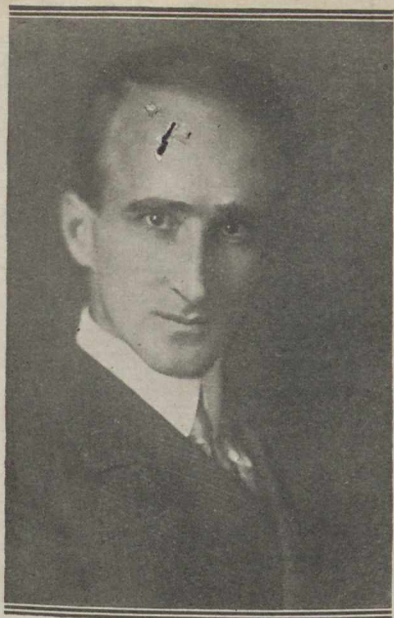
My dear Mr. Pierce,

I have your letter of August 3rd
in which you ask me to extend my patronage to the
series of readings which Mr. Wilson MacDonald intends
to give throughout Canada during the coming Autumn and
Winter.

While I am greatly honoured by the
invitation, I do not feel that I know Mr. MacDonald or
his Poetry well enough to act as you suggest, although
I wish him all success in his tour.

Yours faithfully,

Principal.



WILSON MACDONALD

Poet, also composer.

McGILL UNIVERSITY

MONTREAL.

FACULTY OF ARTS
DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH

Box #476, Charlottetown, P. E. I.,
August 10th, 1923.

Sir Arthur Currie, G. C. M. G., K. C. B.,
Principal, McGill University,
Montreal.

Dear Sir Arthur:-

Mr. Wilson Macdonald, mentioned in the letter forwarded to me on the 6th inst, is a writer of verse, but I do not think that he is "one of our greatest living Canadian poets", as Mr. Lorne A. Pierce, Literary Advisor of the Ryerson Press, Toronto, states in his letter to you. Some years ago Macdonald published a book of poems entitled "The Song of the Prairie Land"; a revised edition of this book has just been issued from the Ryerson Press. The author, I am told, is an interesting but unusual person, extremely egotistical, and, I judge, somewhat abnormal. He is interested in spiritualism, and professes to be able to "call spirits from the vasty deep". His verse has little or no popular appeal; his audience is a "high-brow" audience; and he seems to please only those who foolishly believe that literature is only good when it is unintelligible. A few months ago Macdonald wrote the words and music of an operetta called "The Girl from Bohemia". He rehearsed himself and attempted to produce it with local talent in a small Ontario town, but the inhabitants thought that the costumes resembled too closely the garb of the Garden of Eden, and the production had to be abandoned. Thereupon Macdonald gave many interviews to the press in which he spoke of himself as a martyr "in the cause of Art", as "the best-hated man in Canada", and in which he made other equally ridiculous statements. While he may, perhaps, do good work in the future, I do not think it would be wise to endorse too strongly his work or his literary type. I enclose a copy of a photograph; he seems to be somewhat of a poseur.

I was glad to see Dr. Nicholson today on his annual pilgrimage to the Island.

With kindest regards, I am, Faithfully yours,

Cyrus Macmillan

THE METRODIST BOOK
and PUBLISHING HOUSE
TORONTO
CANADA
LORNE A. PIERCE, M.A., B.D., PH.D.
Literary Critic and Advisor

August
3rd
1923

General Sir Arthur Currie,
McGill University,
Montreal, P.Q.

My dear Sir Arthur:-

Mr. Wilson MacDonald, one of our greatest living Canadian poets, is making arrangements to give a series of readings from his poetry throughout Canada this coming fall and winter. While the poetry of Mr. MacDonald, as you know, requires no introduction before a literary audience in either America or Great Britain, we are endeavoring to secure for him such patronage as will give his first recital tour that support and endorsement which he deserves.

Mr. MacDonald will be most grateful if you will lend him your esteemed patronage.

Very sincerely,

Lorne A. Pierce

*My dear Macmillan,
What to your
advise, please return
letter.
A. W. Currie
6/8/23,*

All we have willed or hoped or dreamed of good shall exist.

August 6, 1923.

Lorne Pierce, Esq.,
The Methodist Book & Publishing House,
Toronto, Ont.

Dear Sir:-

This will acknowledge
receipt of your letter of August 3rd
addressed to Sir Arthur Currie. Upon
his return to the City the matter will
be placed before him.

Yours faithfully,

*Letter sent to Prof Macmillan & Co
be returned.*

SIR JOHN MARTIN-HARVEY

PARKHOLM,

EAST SHEEN,

S.W.14.

September 19th, 1923.

Sir Arthur Curry, etc. etc.
MacGill University,
Montreal.

Dear Sir Arthur Curry,

When I produced Professor Gilbert Murray's translation of the Oedipus of Sophocles at Covent Garden Opera House, London, some years ago, I was granted the privilege of associating many distinguished names, drawn from the political, scholastic, artistic, and social worlds, with that occasion in the form of an Honorary Committee, who were interested purely from an educational point of view in this production.

The list of the members of this Honorary Committee were:

The Prime Minister

The Rt. Hon. Lord Curzon of Kedleston
Chancellor of Oxford University

The Rt. Hon. Lord Rayleigh, F.R.SS
Chancellor of Cambridge University

The Rt. Hon. A. J. Balfour, M.P., F.R.S.
(now Lord Balfour)
Chancellor of Edinburgh University

The Earl of Rosebery and Midlothian, K.G., K.T., F.R.S
Chancellor of London University

The Vice-Chancellor of Oxford

The Vice-Chancellor of Cambridge

The Provost of Trinity College, Dublin.

SIR JOHN MARTIN-HARVEY

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Sir Oliver Lodge, F.R.S.
Principal of Birmingham University

Sir William J. Collins, F.R.C.S., M.P.
Vice-Chancellor of London University

The Duchess of Rutland

The Marchioness of Ripon

The Earl and Countess of Lytton

The Earl of Crewe, K.G.

Lady Cunard

Sir Herbert Tree

Sir L. Alma Tadema, O.M., R.A., Litt.D., D.C.L.

Sir George Frampton, R.A., LL.D.

R. Y. Tyrrell, Litt.D., D.C.L., LL.D., S.F.T.C.D.

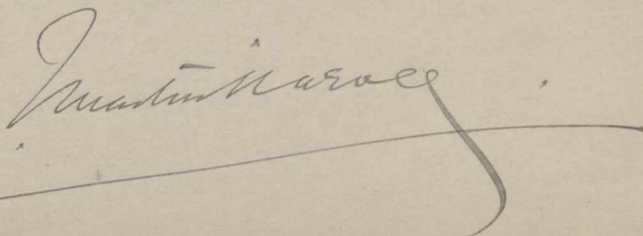
These distinguished ladies and gentlemen considered the production of this play in London for the first time after many hundred years to be an occasion of such literary and artistic importance as to warrant their associating their names with it.

I have arranged to give this production in New York towards the end of October this Autumn and should consider it a very high privilege if you would permit your name to be associated with it in a similar manner. I need not say that no financial responsibility whatever is involved. For your information I am extending this invitation among others to the list attached.

May I beg the favour of your reply to be sent to my representative in America, Mr. B. Lang, Room 604, 1416, Broadway, New York?

I am, dear Sir Arthur Curry,

Yours faithfully,



SIR JOHN MARTIN-HARVEY

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P.S. At the kind suggestion of Mr. Thomas W. Lamont, I beg to quote the following passages from a letter which he recently received from Professor Gilbert Murray of Oxford: "Martin Harvey's London production of OEdipus was a most beautiful and impressive affair. It was done on a very grand scale at Covent Garden, and was produced by Reinhardt with some criticism and assistance from me..... The enormous Theatre was overcrowded night after night and some of the effects were such as I shall never forget. I never saw Harvey himself reach such heights".

I have also received the following letter from the Rt. Hon. the Earl of Balfour:

July 14th, 1923.

Dear Sir John Martin-Harvey,

I hear that you propose to give New York your production of Professor Gilbert Murray's version of the OEdipus of Sophocles. You were eminently successful when you tried this experiment before a London audience in Covent Garden. I had the honour of being a member of the Honorary Committee which, from an artistic point of view, were deeply interested in the production, and I have not the slightest doubt that the American audiences will be as enthusiastic as we were over your reproduction in strangely different surroundings of the Greek masterpiece.

Wishing you all success.

Yours sincerely,

(Signed) BALFOUR.

SIR JOHN MARTIN-HARVEY

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(of Columbia University)

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(of Harvard University)

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(of Toronto University)

Mrs. James Abercrombie Burden
Frank L. Polk Esq.

Palmer

March
Sixth
1922.

Joseph Henry Metcalfe, Esq.,
244 Viger Avenue,
Montreal, Que.

Dear Sir:-

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of February 22nd, i which you have done me the honour of asking me to be the patron of the New Mount Royal Operatic Society, which is now forming and of which you are the founder and the Musical Director.

My ignorance of the personnel and standing of the new organization does not justify me in complying with your request.

I wish the organization every possible success and hope that I may have the privilege of seeing some of the performances.

Yours faithfully,

Principal.

244 Viger Avenue
Montreal P.Q.

Feb 22 1922

To Sir Arthur Curri

Principal of the McGill University

Sir - I take the liberty of writing to you
on behalf of the new "Mount Royal
Operatic Society" which is now forming
and of which I am founder and
Musical-Director, to request ~~the~~
honor of being able to include you
among its patrons.

The society intends to commence rehearsals
in September next, the first production
to be my new 4 act Ballad Opera
"The Buccaneers," the libretto
of which was written by my friend

The late Captain Forsyth former
Lieutenant of Anticosti, the music
Score I have just finished and
which I am now orchestrating.

I have the honour to remain
Sir

Your obedient servant
Joseph Henry Metcalf

Licentiate of the Associated
Board of the R A M & R C M.

To Dr. Perrin,

Do you know of the
writer and what do
you address

2/3/22

Ch. C. Currie

McGILL UNIVERSITY
FACULTY OF MUSIC

DEAN - DR. H. C. PERRIN

323 W. SHERBROOKE STREET

MONTREAL, 3rd March, 1922.

Sir Arthur Currie,
Principal,
McGill University.

My dear Principal,

I do not think that this Mr. Metcalfe is justified in expecting you to give your name as a patron of his venture. I can quite understand that you like to help people, but even if I myself had been asked to give my name as a patron I feel that I should have declined, although I might possibly have gone to a performance to see what it was like.

I simply mention this to show that what I could not do myself, you, in your position, ought not to be expected to do.

Yours very truly,

H. C. Perrin

Dean.

Jno

June 27th, 1923.

W. F. Mikel, Esq.,
Belleville, Ont.

Dear Mr. Mikel:-

I am sorry your letter of June 19th was not acknowledged before this, but I have been away from the city most of the past fortnight.

I shall be very pleased to have my name included among the Vice-Presidents of the Committee which is being formed to organize the celebration of the 140th anniversary of the settlement of Upper Canada by the United Empire Loyalists. I am afraid, however, that I cannot be of much real help to you as my time is already so fully occupied.

With all good wishes, I am,

Yours faithfully,

Correct Title

General Sir Arthur W. Currie,
G.C.M.G., K.C.B.

MIKEL & ALFORD
BARRISTERS AND SOLICITORS
W. C. MIKEL, K. C. G. ALFORD
SOLICITORS FOR THE MOLSONS BANK
BELLEVILLE, ONTARIO

June 19, 1923.

Major General Sir Arthur Currie, C. B.,
McGill University,
Montreal, Que.

Dear Sir,-

The United Empire Loyalists' Association of Canada has decided to celebrate in June 1924, the 140th anniversary of the settlement of Upper Canada by the United Empire Loyalists. The City of Belleville has been selected as the place of the celebration.

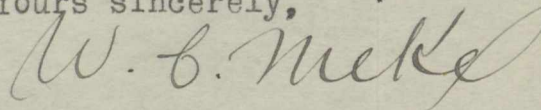
We have created an organization named U. E. L. Celebration Committee, 1924, to carry on the celebration, which we will incorporate without shares.

Col. S. S. Lazier, is President; Col. D. Barrager, Treasurer; R. H. Ketcheson, Secretary; W. L. Doyle, Director of Ceremonies; and myself, General Manager.

We have also a number of Vice-Presidents including Major General Sir A. C. Macdonell, Commandant of the Royal Military School, Kingston, Dr. W. Bruce Taylor Principal of Queen's University, Sir Robert A. Falconer President Toronto University, Aemilius Jarvis, Toronto. We would like very much to have you act as one of the Vice-Presidents. The Rt. Hon. Sir Charles Fitzpatrick, Lieut-Governor of Quebec, and a number of Lieut-Governors of other Provinces, Sir Henry Thornton, E. W. Beatty K.C. President C.P.R., Rt. Hon. P.C. Larkin, Tom Moore President Trades & Labor Congress of Canada, are some of the Patrons of the celebration.

Hoping that you will comply with this request, and that in doing so you will also let us have your full title, I remain

Yours sincerely,



General Manager.

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W. C. Mikel

Patronage

November 23rd, 1926.

A. P. Thwaites, Esq.,
Secretary-Treasurer,
Montreal Miniature Rifle Association,
50 Bishop Street,
Montreal.

Dear Mr. Thwaites:-

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of November 22nd, in which you are good enough to ask me to continue to act as Patron of your Association.

Will you please convey to the members of the Association my thanks for the proffered honour and say that I shall be very glad to comply with the request.

With all good wishes, I am,

Yours faithfully,

The Montreal Miniature Rifle Association

50 Bishop Street,

Montreal,

General Sir Arthur W. Currie, G.C.M.G., K.C.B.

PATRON

~~General Sir Alex. Dextram~~

HONORARY PRESIDENT

Brig-Genl W.B.M.King.CMG.DSO.VD.

22nd November 1926.

Sir,

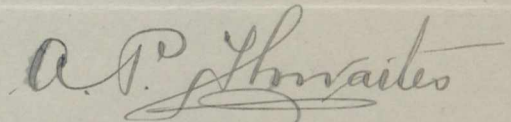
At the recent Annual General Meeting of the above Rifle Association, it was unanimously decided that you be asked if you would again, for the coming season, permit yourself to be named as Patron of the association.

Glad to comply

Thanking you for so doing in the past and trusting that you will continue to give us this privilege,

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant.



Secretary-Treasurer.

General Sir A.W.Currie.GCMG.,KCB.

McGill University.

Montreal.

Patronage

February 1st, 1926.

Major W. Neilson,
Montreal Minature Rifle Association,
50 Bishop Street,
New York City.

My dear Major:-

I have your letter of the 29th of January in which you were good enough to ask me to become the Patron of the Minature Rifle Association.

Of course, I shall do anything you want me to do, but would it not be better to get some one as your patron who is more able from financial considerations to help you. I shall be glad, of course, to make a subscription when the campaign for funds is launched.

Ever yours faithfully,

The Montreal Miniature Rifle Association

50 Bishop Street,

Montreal,

January 29th, 1926.

Sir:

At a General Meeting of the Montreal Miniature Rifle Association it was unanimously decided to ask you to become its Patron, and give your support to this manly sport, which has, to date, been so neglected in the Metropolis.

The Association was sponsored last year by a few interested citizens, and has as its Honorary President Major-General Sir Alexander Bertram.

With a membership of close to 200, and the number rapidly increasing, the City bids fair to holding its own among practically every other large centre in the British Empire.

It is financially impossible for the Association to cope with the increasing interest, and it has therefore been decided to raise a fund by Public subscription, to enable us to erect a large central range to encourage the interest shown, and also to help the young man of the City to establish himself in the sport.

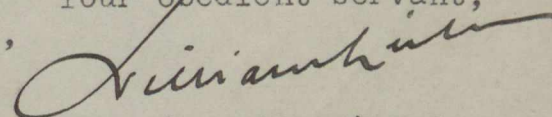
Hoping you will give this your favourable consideration,

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

General Sir A.W. Currie, GCMG., KCB.,
Principal and Vice-Chancellor,
McGill University,
Montreal, Que.



(W. Neilson) Major,
President,
MTL. MINIATURE RIFLE ASSN.

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PACIFIC COAST OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION

AFFILIATED TO THE "OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION." (ENG.)

December 17th. 1920
VICTORIA, B. C. _____ 192

Room 26
New Drill Hall
Victoria

Dear Sir Arthur Currie,

I am acting for the Board of Directors in asking if you will become a Patron of the above Association, of which I am temporary President.

We are affiliated to the parent organization in London which has Lord Haig as one of its chief backers---I enclose you a copy of their letter for your information.

First and foremost we are out to help disabled Officers of the British services which of course embraces Canada, England, Scotland, Ireland, Australia, South Africa and the Colonies generally.

Secondly we are active in finding employment for Officers who are out of a job----and it is wonderful how many come in to see me. Most Officers who have done well overseas are averse to asking for employment through the ordinary channels--such as employment bureaus, soldier organizations etc, but they readily tell us what they can do and what they want. We can offer many employers a brand of manhood above the average as you well know. Last week, for instance, we placed nineteen disabled men.

Personally, I have no need to tell you how glad I shall be to have you/ in touch with us. I would have tried to see you when you were here on the business of Magill--but imagined that you would have plenty to do without yarning with myself. If you will become our Chief Patron will you be good enough to send me a letter that I may publish. The subscription is six dollars per annum;

*Yours sincerely
Charles. F. Hill*

Jm

January
Eighth
1921.

Colonel Charles Flick, C.M.G., D.S.O.,
Room 26, New Drill Hall,
Victoria, B.C.

Dear Colonel Flick:-

I am in receipt of your letter of December 17th last, in which you do me the honour of asking me to become the patron of the Pacific Coast Officers' Association.

I accept with pleasure and regard it as a privilege to be identified with any Association which has for its purpose the giving of assistance to disabled officers by means of helping them to become re-established. I yield to none in my admiration for the decisive part played by other ranks in the winning of the War, but at the same time, I know the value of good leadership whether that leadership was practised by an officer or a non-commissioned officer.

It is a fact that the majority of officers in the Canadian Army at the close of the War were men who had served in the ranks. It would have been to the financial advantage of many of these men to have remained as non-commissioned officers. On account of their value as leaders they were urged to take commissions and suffered financially in doing so. I know no member of our forces who was more poorly paid than the subaltern.

We must keep alive the spirit displayed in the War, not only the spirit of comradeship, but of helping each other, standing by each other, the one for all and all for one spirit. If we do not we shall go back and so prove unworthy of those who did so much to make the name of Canada revered throughout the world.

Colonel Charles Flick, - 2 -

I am glad to be identified with your Association. I wish it all success in its noble mission and beg to enclose herewith my subscription.

Ever yours faithfully,

PACIFIC COAST OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION

AFFILIATED TO THE "OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION," (ENG.)

VICTORIA, B.C. January 14th. 1921 192

Room 26
New Drill Hall
Victoria B.C.

To Sir Arthur Currie, K.C.B., K.C.M.G.
MacGill University
Montreal

Dear Sir Arthur Currie,

On behalf of the Officers of the above Association I have to thank you for your intimation that we may put down your name as that of our First Patron.

Secondly I have to thank you for your subscription to the Association, for which I enclose an official receipt.

We are forging ahead slowly and we find that there is a deal of apathy as to the past, present and future among Officers, however we shall overcome that in the course of time.

The Officers' Association should of course be Dominion wide and will come to that in time.

Yours sincerely,

Cecil L. Bost *dlb*
Hon Sec

May
Sixteenth
1921.

Capt. Tremayne Harrison,
Pacific Coast Officers' Association,
Victoria, B. C.

Dear Sir:-

I received to-day a notice to attend a meeting of the Executive of the above mentioned Association.

The notice states that the Executive is meeting to "discuss incorporation and the purchase of a club building".

I hope I will not be considered impertinent in suggesting that the purchase of a club building is something which requires a very great deal of consideration and any committee ought to hesitate before taking such a step unless they had the funds in hand.

Yours faithfully,

Pacific Coast Officers' Association

AFFILIATED TO THE "OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION," ENG.

ROOM 9, NEW DRILL HALL

23rd May

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VICTORIA, B.C. 192

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

Sir,

The President, The Officers' Association directs me to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 16th instant and to inform you that at the Meeting of the Executive held here on 18th instant to discuss the question of incorporation and the purchasing of a Club house, it was decided to write to each member of the Association asking whether or not he would become a member in the event of a Club being formed, but since that date the question of Amalgamation of all the ex-service Organizations of Canada has arisen, started by this Association on receipt of correspondence from the Assistant General Manager of the Officers' Association, so the Club house movement has been dropped for the time being.

Yours faithfully,

Tremayne Harrison
Honorary Secretary.

Pacific Coast Officers' Association

AFFILIATED TO THE "OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION," ENG.

ROOM 2, SURREY BLOCK, 639 YATES STREET

VICTORIA, B. C. *23rd March* 1923

Lieut. Genl. Sir Arthur Currie K.C.M.G.

As a former member of the Pacific Coast Officers' Association, you will remember that, in the Autumn of 1921, the Association agreed to amalgamate with other organizations of service and ex-service men forming the British Legion. In pursuance of this agreement there was formed the Grand Army of United Veterans, and notices were sent to all members to this effect.

Since then our Association has remained, so to speak, in abeyance; no subscriptions have been received, although, in so far as correspondence with the Officers' Association in London and with its branches in various portions of the Empire, it has continued to function in furnishing information and affording financial or other assistance to ex-officers or their dependants, in accordance with their necessities to the best of its ability.

In so far as the main object for which the Association was formed, namely the assistance of, and the finding of employment for officers are concerned, the amalgamation has not accomplished any useful result.

It is now, therefore, very desirable to resume activities on our own account, and with this object in view your co-operation is invited.

A room has been rented for the use of members in writing and receiving correspondence, etc., in the Surrey Block, 639 Yates Street, Victoria.

The subscription will be three dollars per annum, and it is confidently hoped that all those who originally joined the Association will forward this amount to the Honorary Secretary.

In accordance with an arrangement kindly offered by the British Columbia Employment Service, any ex-service officer may register through the medium of the Association, which will forward his application.

If you are aware of any position being vacant, or about to become vacant, you will be doing good service by at once notifying the Honorary Secretary of such vacancy.

C. L. ROBERTS,

Honorary Secretary

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Jno

July 3rd, 1922.

Private and confidential

Major-General Henri Panet, C.M.G., D.S.O.,
M. D. No. 2,
Toronto, Ont.

My dear General:-

Attached herewith please find a letter which I received this morning on my return from a trip west.

Will you please advise me as to whether you think I should comply with the request, namely, to accept the Presidency of the Band. I should appreciate an early reply.

I hope that all goes well with the Toronto Command and that you are enjoying the change.

With all good wishes, I am,

Yours faithfully,

June 21st, 1922.

Wm. E. Davis, Esq.,
223 Lippincott Street,
Toronto, Ont.

Dear Sir:-

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of June 17th addressed to General Sir Arthur Currie.

General Currie is at present in Western Canada, but I shall bring your letter to his attention on his return.

Yours faithfully,

Secretary.

Jr

June 13th, 1923..

F. B. Pemberton, Esq.,
Victoria, B. C.

Dear Mr. Pemberton:-

I was very much interested
in reading the Prospectus of Brentwood College
which you sent me.

I shall be very glad indeed to
associate myself with the proposed school in the
capacity of patron. I see no reason why it
should not be a very great success and sincerely
wish it all prosperity.

Yours faithfully,

F. B. PEMBERTON B.C.L.S

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Victoria, British Columbia

June 7th, 1923

CABLE ADDRESS:
PEMBERTONS.VICTORIA

Sir Arthur W. Currie, G.C.M.G., K.C.B.

McGill University,

Montreal, P.Q.

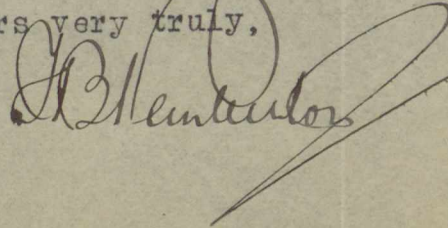
Dear Sir Arthur: Brentwood College:

I received your letter of the 25th. May. I am very sorry indeed that you did not receive the Prospectus, it evidently went astray in the post as we sent it the same day as the letter; a great many things of this kind are lost in the post now a days. However, we have sent you another and hope it will reach you safely.

In connection with this matter I might mention that I know Mr. Hope very well, and I do not think it possible out in B.C. to get a better Head Master than he is. He should be able to uphold the best traditions of an English Public School, he has made a wonderful success of the Oak Bay High School, which is of course quite a different type, and with his training and methods, I think he should make a great success of Brentwood College.

With very kind remembrances to yourself and Lady Currie,

Yours very truly,



FBP/P

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May 25th, 1923.

F. B. Pemberton, Esq.,
C/o. Pemberton & Son,
Victoria, B. C.

Dear Mr. Pemberton:-

Let me acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 16th with reference to my becoming a patron of Brentwood College.

Before giving a decided answer I should like very much to see the Prospectus which you overlooked enclosing in your letter. I see no reason why a good school run on the lines of an English public school should not be a very decided success. Similar schools in eastern Canada are largely attended and turn out a very good type of student indeed, whom we are glad to welcome to the University. In any school almost everything depends on the type of head and associate masters.

With kindest regards,

Yours faithfully,

May 25th, 1923.

E. B. Paul, Esq., M.A.,
Pacific Club,
Victoria, B. C.

My dear Mr. Paul:-

I have received a letter from Fred Pemberton asking me to be a patron of Brentwood College, which I understand, will be located in the Brentwood Hotel grounds.

This college is to follow the lines of an English public school. Similar schools in the East such as Ashbury College, Ridley College, Upper and Lower Canada turn out a very good type of student indeed, whom we like to get at the University. There is no reason why a school at Brentwood should not be a very great success, provided they get an excellent head and the proper type of associate masters. I am told that the Lieutenant-Governor has promised to be one of the patrons. Please tell me whether you think I should give my consent or not.

I have not yet seen the Prospectus but I am told that a Mr. Hope, who has been Principal of the Oak Bay High School, is to be the Head Master.

I hope, Mr. Paul, that you are still enjoying good health and that all goes well with my friends in Victoria. McGill is just concluding a very good year indeed. Last year we had the largest enrolment in our history and we are constantly improving our staff. I shall send you one of the new calendars as soon as they are published.

With all good wishes, I am,
yours faithfully,

F. B. PEMBERTON B.C.L.S

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Victoria, British Columbia

May 18th, 1923

CABLE ADDRESS:
PEMBERTONS, VICTORIA

General Sir Arthur Currie,
McGill University,
Montreal, P.Q.

Dear Sir Arthur:

I enclose herewith a financial prospectus of the Brentwood College. They are taking over the Brentwood Hotel, they have increased the accomodation of the grounds, and everything looks as if it should be a decided success.

Mr. Hope, who is to be the Head Master, has made a wonderful success of the Oak Bay High School and is as fine a type of the English Head Master as it would be possible to get out here.

The College will I think fill a long felt want, there are so many people out here who wish to send their boys to an English Public School, or a school run on those lines, they cannot afford to do it, or they do not like to send their boys so far away. This is going to fill that want, and also there should be a large number of boys come here from the East. They will not be so far out of touch with their people as they would be if they went to the Old Country.

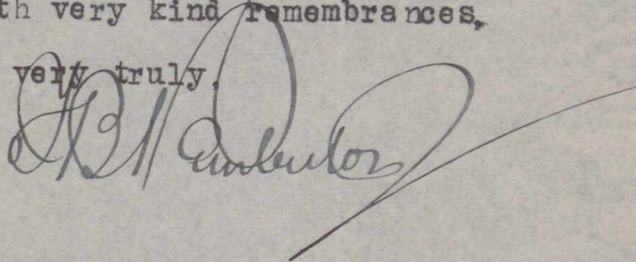
My object in writing this is that the Directors are very anxious to have your name as one of the Patrons of the College. The Lieut. Governor has promised to be one, and needless to say your name would help the whole matter along very materially indeed.

It has been hard work getting it started, but this has all been settled and the school will open in the Autumn. The whole thing is going to be run on the very best lines possible and should be a credit to the country. It is the only college of its type in the West and will be run with all

the traditions of the Old Country, and copying their big
Public schools as much as possible.

Trusting that you will allow your name to be
used as Patron, and with very kind remembrances.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "H. M. Ambler". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned to the right of the typed phrase "Yours very truly,".

FBP/P

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P. O. Box 2255, Montreal,

July 14th, 1926.

Sir Arthur Currie, G.C.M.G., K.C.B.,
Principal,
McGill University,
Sherbrooke Street, West,
Montreal.

Dear Sir Arthur:-

I have the honour, by instruction, to inform you that at a meeting of the Council of the Province of Quebec Rifle Association you were elected as a Vice-Patron to the P.Q.R.A., which I hope you will be kind enough to accept.

Yours very truly,

J. B. Johnson

Secretary, P.Q.R.A.

July
Nineteenth,
1926.

Lt.Col. J.B. Johnson,
Secretary, P.Q.R.A.,
P.O. Box 2255,
Montreal.

My Dear Colonel:-

Thank you very much for your
letter of the 14th, intimating that I have been
elected a Vice Patron of the "P.Q.R.A". It
gives me very great pleasure to accept the honour.

Wishing the Rifle Association
all success.

Yours faithfully,

Principal.



P. O. Box 2255, Montreal,

19th May 1926.

General, Sir Arthur W. Currie, B.C.M.G., K.C.B., L.L.D.,
Principal, McGill University,
Montreal.

Dear Sir:

I have been instructed to ask if you will be kind enough to act as a Vice-Patron of the Province of Quebec Rifle Association. I am enclosing a copy of our officers and patrons. Your early reply will be appreciated.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "J. B. Johnson".

Secretary, P.Q.R.A.

J.M.

September
Twelfth
1921.

William Riley, Esq.,
Hon. Secretary,
Eastern Canada Horse Show Association,
112 St. Francois Xavier Street,
Montreal.

Dear Sir:-

In further reference to your letter of August 24th in which you honour me by asking me to serve on the Honorary Committee of the Eastern Canada Horse Show, at the Mount Royal Arena, October 19th to 22nd.

It will give me great pleasure to serve on this Committee.

With best wishes for the success of the Show, I am,

Yours faithfully,

August
Twenty-fifth
1921.

William Riley, Esq.,
Hon. Secretary,
Eastern Canada Horse Show Association,
112 St. Francois Xavier Street,
Montreal.

Dear Sir:-

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of August 24th addressed to General Sir Arthur Currie, in which you do him the honour of asking him to serve on the Honorary Committee of the Horse Show, October 19th to 22nd.

Sir Arthur is at present in England, but is expected to return to Montreal early in September. I shall have pleasure in bringing your letter to his attention and you will receive a reply as soon as possible.

Yours faithfully,

Principal's Secretary.

EASTERN CANADA HORSE SHOW ASSOCIATION LIMITED

MONTREAL 24th August, 1921.

General Sir Arthur Currie, G.C.M.G., K.C.B.,
Principal of McGill University,
Montreal.

Dear Sir,

The Eastern Canada Horse Show Association
proposes holding a Show at the Mount Royal Arena,
October 19th to October 22nd.

Knowing of the interest you have taken in
the advancement of the better class of horses, we
will be pleased to have your name on the Honourary
Committee.

Yours very truly,

William Riley

Hon. Secretary.

JFR*B.

600
September
Twenty-ninth
1920,

W. L. Bond, Esq.,
Chairman, St. James's Club,
Montreal.

Dear Sir:-

I am in receipt of your letter of September 22nd, conveying the pleasing information that the members of St. James's Club extend to me honorary membership in the Club.

I regard this as a unique distinction, and I would like if you would convey to the members my sincere appreciation of their kindness and courtesy. I know that the Club numbers amongst its members many who were comrades of mine during the great War.

With all good wishes, I am,

Ever yours faithfully,

St. James' Cathedral

Rectory Office

65 CHURCH STREET
TORONTO

Sci Arthur Currie G.C.M.G.

McGill University

Montreal

March 26, 1924

Dear Sci Arthur

We were very glad to receive yours of March 19th, stating that it would be possible for you to be with us on the occasion of the unveiling of our Loan Memorial, and suggesting Sunday June 8th as the date most convenient to yourself. I have been absent from Toronto the last few days, but took the matter up by Committee immediately on my return. We shall be extremely glad to fix Sunday June 8th, at the morning service, as the date & time for the unveiling, and will write you again at a later date with regard to details.

Again expressing our gratitude to you

Yours sincerely

H. P. Plumfitre

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February 21, 1921.

Miss Grace Dockrill,
Room 212,
Drummond Building,
Montreal.

Dear Madam,

I have your letter of February 15th in which you do me the honour of asking me to permit my name to be brought forward at the annual meeting of the St. John Ambulance Association as a Member of the Executive Council. I appreciate this distinction, but frankly I am so busy now that I would not have a single minute to give to the welfare of your Association. I know how worthy an Organization it is and what splendid work it has performed in the past. I think it best that you should not have any names on your Executive, and believe that it is in the best interests of your Association that you elect some more active member.

I wish your Association all possible success, for it deserves it.

Ever yours faithfully,

Principal.



The St. John Ambulance Association

BEING THE AMBULANCE DEPARTMENT OF

The Grand Priory of the Order of the Hospital of St. John of Jerusalem in England

Sovereign Head and Patron of the Order:
HIS MAJESTY THE KING



President:

HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS THE DUKE OF CONNAUGHT, K.G.
(GRAND PRIOR)

Patron Quebec Provincial Council:

HIS HONOR THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR

Quebec Provincial Council:

ROOM 212, DRUMMOND BUILDING

PHONE UP 8481

MONTREAL, February 15th. 1921.

Sir. Arthur Currie
McGill University,
Montreal,
Que.

Dear Sir Arthur:-

The Annual Meeting of the St. John Ambulance Association will take place very shortly and the Association would feel very much pleased if you would permit your name to be brought forward as a Member of the Executive Council.

Yours very truly,

Grace Dockrill
Sic'y

Sons of England A. F. C.

Patronage

265 Bourgeois Street
Point St. Charles

February 27th. 1920

Montreal,

Que.

Frank D. Adams, Esq.

243 Mountain Street.

Dear Sir;

I take the pleasure of writing You, through the Executive to ask You to become a Patron of the above named Club.

Through unforeseen circumstances, we have lost our old ground after having spent nearly \$ 300-00 since the close of last season, on improvements for the benefit of the game.

This means we have to find a new ground, which entails a lot of expence.

We are anxious to keep the Club going as, in our estimation there is no Club that as done more for the manly sport than the Sons of England.

It would be a pity to see the Organization go out of existence through lack of funds when the game appears to becoming even more popular.

I make this appeal, knowing that whatever subscriptions we receive will be used, to further our cause and give us the chance to regain our old standing.

Yours very truly,

E. J. Johnson

A. L. Laverne - Hamer
.....
President.

.....
Chairman, Executive Committee.

March
First
1920.

E. T. Johnson Esq.,
Chairman, Executive Committee,
Sons of England A.F.C.,
265 Bourgeois Street,
Point St. Charles, Montreal.

Dear Sir:-

Dr. Adams has just received your letter of February 27th and regrets extremely that on account of his numerous engagements and the many claims upon his time, he is unable to become a patron of the Sons of England A.F.C.

Yours sincerely,

Secretary

Bahmy

431 Amherst Street,
Montreal, January 21st, 1925.

Sir Arthur Currie,
Montreal.

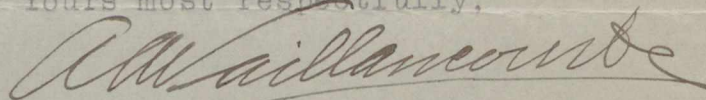
Sir:-

You will no doubt have noticed that local artists are never encouraged. However, it seems that lately our compatriots are giving a little more consideration to this matter, and that they are beginning to see that genius can also be found in Canada. This thought must be enlarged and made true, but this requires propaganda. We have therefore requested the help of Mrs. Fortier, soprano, Mr. Albert Chamberland, Violonist, and Mr. Alfred Laliberté, pianist, for a concert which we intend organizing for the 19th of March.

Knowing your interest for Canadians, and your kindness in encouraging their plans, I would ask you, together with Mrs. McKenna and the Hon. Narcisse Pérodeau, to kindly favour with your patronage at this concert.

Thanking you in anticipation for your kind consent, with which I trust to be favoured, believe me, Sir,

Yours most respectfully,



A.A. VAILLANCOURT.

AAV:GL.

COPY OF TELEGRAM SENT BY

Canadian Pacific Railway Company's Telegraph

National

April 13 1925

Collect

JW

W. C. Winkel

Victoria, B.C.

*Consider it an honour comply with
your request. Hope the Carnival
unbounded success. Most cordial
good wishes to Victoria*

A. W. Currie

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November
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Fred Yorston, Esq.,
President & Managing Editor,
The Standard,
Montreal.

Dear Mr. Yorston:-

I shall be very glad to serve as
one of the members of the Honorary Committee dealing
with the 150th celebration of Scottish immigration
to Canada, which is to be held in Nova Scotia next
year.

Please forgive me for not acknowledging
your previous letter.

Yours faithfully,

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

November 23rd, 1922.

Sir Arthur Currie,
Sherbrooke St. W.,
Montreal.

Dear Sir:-

Might I ask you for a reply to my recent letter on the subject of your appointment, with Lord Atholstan, the Moderator of the Presbyterian Assembly, Sir Robert Falconer, Archbishop McNeil and Col. Hendrie, to the Honorary Committee dealing with the 150th celebration of Scottish immigration to Canada in Nova Scotia next year.

I understand that you have been out of the city, and possibly you may not yet have received my memorandum on the subject, in which I briefly sketched the proposed celebration. There will be no monetary obligations or any other duties to perform other than your attendance, if possible.

I have been asked to let the committee know, as soon as possible, your decision, and I would appreciate either a note or a telephone call.

Yours very truly,

John Gordon
President & Managing Editor.

FY/MLM.

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September 20th, 1926.

J. Wolferstan Thomas, Esq.,
1530 St. Lawrence Boulevard,
Montreal.

Dear Mr. Thomas:-

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of September 17th asking me to become a patron of a Prize Competition for a Safety-First Poster Design.

I shall be very glad to accede to your request as I have always taken a keen interest in the Safety-First movement.

With all good wishes for the success of the competition, I am,

Yours faithfully,

Principal.

Poster Advertising Association of Canada

1530 St. Lawrence Blvd., Montreal
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

17th September, 1926.

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Sir Arthur Currie,
President,
McGill University,
Montreal.

Dear Sir Arthur,

Your reputation for aiding the cause of education and general public enterprises prompts me to impose on your good nature and ask you to become a patron of a Prize Competition for a Safety-First Poster Design, as outlined in the enclosed dummy announcement.

You doubtless are aware that the Poster Advertising Association of Canada each year conducts at least one free campaign for public welfare. For example, the beautiful Nativity posters that are displayed at Christmas time, the Made-in-Canada campaign of last year, and the Boy Scout posters.

Mr. Beatty, President of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, and the President of the Quebec Safety-First League have already consented to be patrons and the only others we are asking are, Sir Henry Thornton, President of the Canadian National Railways, the President of the Manufacturers' Association, the President of the Ontario Safety League and Sir Robert Falconer, President of the University of Toronto.

Your name, as head of one of the two great centres of learning in Canada, will, I know, be of great assistance to us in our two-fold object. The first being the development of the Safety-First Movement and the second being of some assistance in the cause of Art, both of which I know you are interested in.

We are sending the enclosed announcement to the principals of some seven hundred High Schools, Academies and Art Schools and are preparing a poster to announce the competition and create nationwide interest. After the prizes are awarded the winning Safety-First poster will be lithographed and given free display in some 235 cities and towns across Canada,

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Sir Arthur Currie.

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so that we think it will achieve our objects as spreading the idea of Safety-First throughout our Dominion and at the same time will act as an incentive to struggling art students, and we will very possibly discover some hitherto unknown talent.

Your name will help tremendously and I trust you will assist us in promoting this Safety-First idea.

Hoping to receive an early and favourable reply, I am,

Yours very truly,

POSTER ADVERTISING ASS'N OF CANADA

J. Wolferstan Thomas
President.

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TO THE ARTISTS OF CANADA

*A Nation-wide
Poster Competition
for a Safety-First
Poster Design*

THE PATRONS OF THE COMPETITION

This Safety-first Poster Competition is being conducted under
the distinguished patronage of

*A Nation-wide Prize Competition
for the Best Poster Design
to Prompt Interest in
Safety-First*

26 Cash Prizes, recognition and the satisfaction of doing a great public service will award contestants.

OPEN	JUNIOR
First Prize \$300.00	First Prize \$200.00
Second Prize 200.00	Second Prize 150.00
Third Prize 100.00	Third Prize 100.00

THE OPEN COMPETITION is open to all artists, amateur or professional, who are and have been residents in Canada for the twelve months previous to the closing of the contest.

THE JUNIOR COMPETITION is open to all pupils enrolled in collegiate, technical or high schools, commercial or other colleges or schools of high school grade. These competitors must enclose in their envelope proof of enrollment at their school, signed by the principal. Contestants in the Junior Competition automatically compete in the Open Competition.

The winning poster will be displayed throughout the length and breadth of Canada by the

POSTER ADVERTISING ASSOCIATION OF CANADA
as a donation to this very necessary movement.

For full information write

POSTER ADVERTISING ASSOCIATION OF CANADA
Research Department

Bank of Hamilton Building

Toronto, Ont.

Suggestion

A Good Poster

1. Should graphically and impressively tell its story at a glance.
2. The picture, plus a few words, (the fewer the better) should convey the message.
3. Usually simple designs are the best.
4. A Good Idea is the first consideration.
5. Good Drawing and Artistic Coloring are essential.
6. General Arrangement that will be effective and attractive among other Posters is desirable.

Information

This Contest is being arranged and the prizes offered by the Poster Advertising Association of Canada, an organization whose members own and operate Poster Advertising Panels in some two hundred and thirty-five cities and towns throughout our Dominion.

Members of the Association display Posters only on their privately owned, steel-faced neatly framed green Poster Panels, which are 25 feet long by 11 feet high, substantially built and consistently maintained in the highest degree of perfection.

The operation of Poster Plants by members of this Association is controlled by the standards of practise of the Association.

The panels are regularly painted. The grounds about them are kept neat. The ethical standards of the business are high.

Poster Panels are not to be confused with billboards or common hoardings.

Rules of the Contest

- 1.—ELIGIBILITY Read the opening paragraphs of the two contests.
- 2.—SUBJECT A SAFETY-FIRST POSTER. The subject must be Safety, and not safety as applied to any one particular thing (or object?).
- 3.—THE IDEA Broadly the idea is to picturize Safety in such a way that it will prompt all people to practise safety in all things.
- 4.—WORD LEGEND The word message should be complementary to the picture, adding force by word to the force of the picture. It is advisable to use as few words as possible. Brevity in words is essential to the effectiveness of a poster.

NOTE—If, in the opinion of the judges, the posters winning prizes should not have wording deemed acceptable the right is reserved to substitute a different wording. Should the wording of some other contestant, not a prize winner, be used, a separate prize of \$50.00 will be given for each such word legend used.
- 5.—MEDIUMS Any medium adaptable for reproduction in lithograph for a poster; such as oil, water color (either opaque or wash), pastel, etc.
- 6.—COLORS No restraint in number of colors used. It is advised that the contestants keep in mind that a judicious use of colors helps constitute that which is judged a good painting for Poster reproduction.

- 7.—SIZE
The painting must conform to the proportions of the 24-sheet Poster. (The 24-sheet Poster is horizontal and not vertical in form, and when reproduced is 8 feet high by 20 feet long). The size of the sketch itself must be 13 inches by 32½ inches while the margin surrounding it must be of white and 2¼ inches wide.
- 8.—MATERIAL
The material to be used for the painting may be canvas on (stretcher), illustration board, pastel board, or any material that is *self supporting*. (Entries received rolled will not be considered by the jury).
- 9.—CLOSE OF CONTEST
No paintings will be considered received after December 31, 1926. Consequently, contestants should take care that their entry or entries should be shipped in time sufficient to insure delivery on or before December 31, 1926.
- 10.—BASIS OF AWARD
- a. Force and effectiveness of conception in relation to idea of subject, i.e., the most masterful interpretation of the idea of subject.
 - b. Strength and harmony of color.
 - c. Excellence in technique, irrespective of style of treatment used.
 - d. Excellence in drawing and composition.
- 11.—JURY
A jury of five will judge the paintings. The jury will be composed of:—
1. An artist of the Royal Canadian Academy.
 2. Two Safety League Representatives.
 3. Two representatives of the Poster Advertising Association of Canada.
- 12.—SHIPMENT
Paintings are to be sent to the Poster Advertising Association of Canada, 1206 Bank of Hamilton Building, Toronto, Ont. Paintings will be returned at the close of the contest, express collect if requested by the contestant.
No responsibility or risk will be assumed for design in transit. It is understood and agreed that while the Association will assume reasonable care of designs submitted it shall not be held responsible beyond that reasonable care.
- 13.—IDENTIFICATION
(*Very Important*).
No contestant must sign his name or any mark except a secret identification mark on the back of the painting.
Each contestant must accompany his shipment with a letter by mail identifying the painting and giving the name and address of the contestant.
The paintings will be judged solely by number.
Each painting for Junior Contest must be so marked on the back thereof.

Addendum

Through an arrangement with THE POSTER, an art magazine of Poster Advertising, a complimentary year's subscription will be entered for the contestants entering the twenty-five best entries in each competition.