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GRADUATES' SOCIETY

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THE GRADUATES' SOCIETY OF
McGill University

Montreal, August 14th, 1920.

General Sir Arthur Currie,
Principal, McGill University.

Dear General Currie:

I am in receipt of your letter of
Sept. 8th, embodying resolutions passed at the convention
of McGill Graduates in Vancouver.

I am very glad to have these
resolutions brought to my notice, and will place them before
the executive committee of the McGill Graduates' Society at
their next meeting.

Yours faithfully,

J. W. Jeakins

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY.

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Michael Boag

220-221 Birks Building,

Vancouver, B. C., August 28th. 1930.

Sir Arthur W. Currie, K. C. M. G., D. S. O., C. B.,
Principal McGill University, Montreal, Que.

Dear Sir Arthur:-

There was held in Vancouver on June 24th. last a convention of duly accredited delegates from the various McGill Graduates Societies throughout Canada, as well as representatives from the various provinces where Societies do not exist. These latter gentlemen were chosen because of their prominence and influence in their particular field. All the Graduates Societies in Canada were represented with the exception of the one in Toronto, which has been but very recently organized. At this convention, certain matters were discussed which we as graduates of McGill feel are of vital importance, and which we desire to bring to your attention, Sir, as Principal.

We wish first of all to state briefly the circumstances in connection with this convention. It has been felt for some years past, that McGill has not occupied the place of national importance in the Dominion of Canada, which we as graduates think is her due. With this in mind, some of the members of the Graduates Society of B. C. asked for the appointment of delegates from the other Societies in Canada, to a Convention, that we might discuss and perchance offer, some slight assistance for the betterment of our Alma Mater.

We give hereunder, for your consideration

the list of delegates in attendance, and would point out at once what will be immediately obvious to you, Sir, that while all the gentlemen present were graduates of the Faculty of Medicine, duly appointed by their respective home societies, these delegates considered such matters as came to their attention at this convention, in a broader application than that referable to the Faculty of Medicine.

Ottawa Valley Graduates Society-- Dr. J. F. Argue and Dr. C. H. Brown of Ottawa.

New Bedford Graduates Society-- H. P. Stockwell, Dr. R. E. McKechnie and Dr. A. Cumming of Vancouver.

Montreal Graduates Society-- Dr. E. W. Archibald of Montreal.

B. C. Graduates Society-- Dr. F. P. Patterson, Dr. B. D. Gillies, Dr. T. R. B. Nelles, Dr. C. F. Covernton, Dr. H. H. McIntosh, Dr. J. A. Sutherland, Dr. R. B. Boucher, Dr. W. B. Burnett, Dr. H. B. Gourlay, Dr. I. Glen Campbell, Dr. Giles B. Murphy all of Vancouver.

Province Prince Edward Island-- Dr. R. E. McKechnie, Vancouver.

Province New Brunswick-- Dr. H. A. Farris, St. John.

Province Nova Scotia-- Dr. J. G. McDougall, Halifax.

Province Manitoba-- Dr. E. G. Campbell, Winnipeg.

Province Saskatchewan-- Dr. D. W. Graham, Swift Current.

Province Alberta-- Dr. J. W. Auld, Calgary.

After due consideration and discussion, there were presented at this meeting the resolutions and memorial which I have the honor, by direction, to enclose herewith for your perusal and attention.

MEMORIAL

TO

SIR ARTHUR CURRIE

PRINCIPAL MCGILL UNIVERSITY

MONTREAL.

Moved by Dr. J. G. McDougall of Halifax, seconded by Dr. W. G. Campbell of Winnipeg, and carried, that the following Memorial be forwarded to Sir Arthur Currie, Principal of McGill:

We congratulate Sir Arthur Currie on accepting the honorable and responsible position of Principal of McGill University, and express to him our loyal and hearty support in every endeavor he may make to advance the influence and usefulness of McGill, believing, that his well proven qualities for organization, co-operation and inspiring leadership, will meet a heeded requirement of the University at the present time.

McGill is a great national institution, and, as things go in this country, a venerable institution; for, while probably there is no civilized country without older Universities, in a country so young as ours, a University that can celebrate its centenary, surely has some vested rights in the intellectual life of its entire citizenship.

McGill was for years the only University in Canada that drew to its halls, students from every nook and corner of the whole country and considerably from the whole North American continent, as well as many of the sons of prominent men in the Motherland. There is nothing provincial in McGill or her sons; what other Canadian institution can boast the same? Not only are most other Canadian Universities provincial in character, but provincial in constitution and control, and supported largely by government endowment.

In spite of this apparant financial disadvantage, McGill was for years the pioneer in higher education in Canada; she was at all times an ideal and an inspiration for other Universities. We are anxious, and as far as possible determined, that the same standard and ideal shall be maintained; that she shall be in the future as she was in the past, a leading, progressive, national University; that she

she shall never lose the laurels gained for her by the work of great men now gone to their last reward. It is for the record and the future of our Alma Mater alone, that we are concerned; we are not concerned with individuals and their friends; we have no interest in the fraternal affairs or social life of Montreal. We say that when McGill's position is challenged, all petty strife must cease, all personal aspirations must be buried for the common good.

The members of a University staff, are the living sources of learning and enthusiasm. In them is vested the entire possibilities of instruction, and on their work only, can the graduates compare them with the men whose places they now occupy, as well as with men similarly placed in other Universities, and on their work, largely depends the influence and standing of the University.

We regret that the Governors have not seen fit to establish some measure of post graduate work. Many hundreds of McGill graduates go away each year for post graduate study, and all of that number would like to receive such instruction from their Alma Mater. Many graduates do visit McGill, where they expect to see a spirit of enterprise in keeping with that of other University centres, and are disappointed at having to leave for strange centres, where they find a more aggressive and enterprising spirit, with better co-ordination and harmony between the different teaching units.

Many who would like to visit McGill, are drawn to other centres by the brilliant research work being carried on in those places, and the vast amount of time devoted to free and generous teaching by brilliant members of the staff. In those centres they find men who keep in touch with the best work being done in other places and ask embarrassing questions about Universities where the same work is not in evidence.

It has become a tradition, that students of Science, Philosophy, Classics and other departments of research and learning, have not properly rounded off their University training without a year or more of solid exhaustive study in their particular chosen field, under great scholars and teachers in some famous University. The requirements of Canadians have far outgrown the capacity of Canadian Universities to supply them. We should have in Canada, a University equipped to supply the wants of the select few and future leaders, as well as the needs of the average graduate body. We suggest that Old McGill, unhampered by provincial ties or provincial traditions, should lose no time and spare no effort to provide opportunity for scientific investigation and research and for intellectual culture, so that the provincial Universities throughout Canada will be feeders for McGill, the intellectual wants of Canadians be better supplied at home, and the foundations strongly and securely laid for the national centre of advanced learning in Canada.

We view with sorrow and alarm the sending of sons of McGill graduates to other Universities, and so far as we can ascertain, this course has been followed because our class mates and fellow students of years ago, have lost that inspiring confidence in McGill's efficiency which attracted them to McGill in competition with much larger Universities. And we have most regretfully observed that Presidents of other Canadian Universities without Medical faculties, for example, have considered it in the interests of their own graduates, that they pursue their medical studies in other centres than McGill.

We have confidence that under the Principalship of Sir Arthur Currie, a sincere and honest attempt will be made to advance the standing of McGill as a great scientific teaching centre, and pledge him our support in a complete re-organization of the teaching

staffs or in whatever policy he may decide is in the very best interests of the University.

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Moved by Dr. W. B. Burnett, Vancouver, seconded by Dr. R. E. McKechnie, Vancouver, and carried,

Whereas we are informed by the Secretary of the Montreal McGill Graduates Society that there are only five McGill Graduates Societies in Canada;

And Whereas McGill graduates are fairly numerous in all the large centres of population in Canada;

And Whereas we believe the assistance that might be afforded by such organizations in many centres would be of great value to our Alma Mater;

Be It Therefore Resolved that we respectfully suggest to the executive of the Montreal McGill Graduates Society that steps be taken to organize several associations in each province of Canada and that representatives of these provinces at this meeting be urged to use their utmost influence in the carrying out of this programme.

Moved by Dr. C. H. Brown, Ottawa, seconded by Dr. H. B. Gourlay, Vancouver, and carried,

Whereas we understand from press reports during the last two weeks that nominations for the council of the McGill Graduates Society and for non-resident representative Fellows in the various provinces have been made recently by a nominating committee residing in Montreal;

And Whereas this committee is without information regarding conditions in the various provinces and cannot possibly know the most influential and appropriate representatives;

Be It Therefore Resolved that we respectfully suggest that the constitution of the McGill Graduates Society be amended so that the nomination and election of such representatives may be conducted by the graduates resident in the various provinces.

Moved by Dr. H. H. McIntosh, Vancouver, seconded by Dr. R. B. Boucher, Vancouver, and carried,

Whereas certain criticism has been offered by the McGill Graduates regarding recent staff appointments;

And Whereas we consider the addition of prominent and scientific men to the staff will add lustre and efficiency to McGill;

Be It Therefore Resolved that we endorse the action of the Board of Governors in securing the services of the most scientific and progressive men available, regardless of nationality but giving preference always to men of British citizenship.

Moved by Dr. I. Glen Campbell, Vancouver, seconded by Dr. B. D. Gillies, Vancouver, and carried,

Whereas we believe the interests of McGill could be greatly furthered and our discussions of McGill affairs made much more intelligent by closer contact with the teaching staff;

Be It Therefore Resolved that we respectfully suggest to the proper authorities that they arrange as a definite programme for the frequent periodical visits of some members of the staff to all the large centres of Canada to meet and discuss with the local associations affairs of interest and importance to McGill.

CABLE BOND

We trust, Sir, that you as the Principal of our Alma Mater, McGill, will accord your careful consideration to the subject matter of these resolutions, and the memorial, and that you will feel assured of our best support as graduates of McGill, in any steps you may in your wisdom propose, for the betterment of a University which we as graduates feel should hold the premier place, certainly in the Dominion of Canada, if not on the whole North American Continent.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Giles B. Murphy

Secretary.



September
Seventh
1920.

Dr. Giles B. Murphy,
221 Birks Building,
Vancouver, B.C.

Dear Dr. Murphy:-

I beg to acknowledge and to thank you for your letter of August 28th, in which was included a Memorial to myself from the duly accredited delegates from the various McGill Graduate Societies throughout Canada to a Convention held in your City.

Let me say, first, that I am particularly desirous of creating the strongest possible liaison between the University and its graduates. Any steps in that direction must result in building up a strong esprit de corps in McGill's affairs, and unless we have a strong esprit de corps we cannot hope to prosper.

I would like to see these Graduate Societies formed everywhere in Canada and the United States where there are sufficient McGill men to justify their organization; and I regard it as a duty of paramount importance for the University to keep in the closest possible touch with these Societies. Not only are the graduates interested in what the University is doing, but their advice to us should be of very great value, and I, for one, will always warmly welcome it. I think the Governors appreciate this fact, and it has been recently talked about that I shall, probably in the month of October, pay a visit to whatever Societies are in existence at that date in Canada, the New England States and New York. Naturally I am extremely busy here and it may be difficult to find the time to make the trip as suggested, but I believe that such

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good would result from the trip as would justify one in making all possible effort to carry it through.

You can well understand that I have been here for so short a time that I am still not as familiar with all departments of the University as I would like to be, and as I hope to be shortly. There is much to learn and much to do, but I wish to assure you that I shall give the welfare of McGill my full consideration and attention.

I fully realize the part our University has played in the national life of Canada, and I can well see that no institution is better placed for exerting a very positive and increasing influence in the affairs of our country. When I commanded the Canadian Corps overseas, I would look forward to a time when that work was finished. Here there is no such thing as an end to what it is desirable to accomplish. We wish to see the reputation of McGill as a school of learning maintained and enhanced. We desire to see that it shall, not only keep pace with the progress made by other similar institutions, but that it shall lead in every form of educational endeavour. We must remain a University in fact as well as in name and not degenerate into a mere technical school. Our teachers must not only be men of high academic qualifications, but they must be able to impart their knowledge in an inspiring way as well. They must be leaders in their profession, and if we hope to retain them, we cannot afford to pay them second-class salaries.

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Our equipment must be up to date and well-housed and every opportunity given for research work. We must have dormitories for the housing of the students. There can be no such thing as a corporate life if students are forced

Dr. Giles B. Murphy, - 3 -

to separate to all parts of the city after they leave their classrooms, and this will always be so unless we have these dormitories where proper supervision and discipline can be maintained.

In fact there are so many things requiring to be done that one hesitates to begin to enumerate them. I am sufficiently old-fashioned not to encourage the tagging on to the University of every new-fangled idea. I go back to the Army for an illustration of what I mean. I always found that when a division was in rest or on a quiet front for too long a time, it loaded itself up with all sorts of gramophones, concert parties and other things which did not do it a bit of good when it came to fight; and I sometimes think that it is becoming fashionable for Universities to overload themselves with similar impedimenta.

Please assure your Committee that I am in cordial sympathy with the resolutions they have been good enough to forward, and that I shall do my utmost to see that McGill retains her place as a "leading, progressive and national university" and the "national centre of advanced learning in Canada". At the same time I wish to express my appreciation of the confidence expressed in me as the Principal of your Alma Mater, and my thanks for your congratulations

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and the pledge of support. I shall try hard to merit a continuance of that confidence and esteem.

With all good wishes and hoping that I may meet shortly the majority of those who attended the convention, I am,

Ever yours faithfully,

Principal.

September
Eighth
1920.

J. W. Jeakins, Esq.,
Secretary, McGill Graduates' Society,
Montreal.

My dear Jeakins:-

In a Memorial which I recently received from certain McGill graduates who met in convention in Vancouver, the following resolutions carried at the Convention seem to me to be of interest to the Executive of the McGill Graduates Society:-

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I am sure that you will give these resolutions the necessary thought and attention.

Ever yours faithfully,

Principal.

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McGILL UNIVERSITY
MONTREAL.

SECRETARY AND BURSAR'S OFFICE.

3rd September, 1920.

Sir Arthur Currie, G.C.M.G., K.C.B., LL.D.,
Principal.

Dear Sir,-

In order to effect the greatest possible co-operation and assistance from McGill Graduates in the effort to make the coming Campaign for funds a success, the Campaign Executive decided that it was necessary to call to Montreal, Representatives from all Branches on the continent of the McGill Graduates' Society. A number of prominent Graduates of Montreal have agreed to act as a Central Committee.

It is hoped, by securing a meeting of these outside Representatives with the Campaign Executive and the above Committee, that valuable assistance may be given to them in the matter of organizing their different districts for the purpose of obtaining subscriptions to the Campaign Fund.

With the idea of creating increased enthusiasm amongst the Graduates for their Alma Mater, it is proposed that the Principal of the University, together with a Representative of the Campaign Executive, and a Representative of the Central Committee, should visit and address meetings which would be arranged at the headquarters of the different Branch Societies. This tour will probably take place in October.

You will realize that it is very desirable indeed that the joint meeting mentioned above should be well attended and that everything possible should be done to enthuse and encourage these Representatives from outside in the difficult undertaking which they have set themselves.

The Meeting is called for four o'clock on Wednesday, Sept. 8th., in Mr. E. W. Beatty's office, and you are earnestly requested to attend.

Yours faithfully,

A. P. S. G.
Secretary.

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THE GRADUATES' SOCIETY OF
McGill University



Montreal, Oct. 6th, 1923.

Sir Arthur Currie,
Chairman, Athletic Board of Control,
McGill University,
Montreal.

Dear Sir:-

At a meeting of the Executive Committee of the McGill Graduates' Society held on October 5th, Dr. Lorna C. Montgomery, was appointed Graduates' Representative on the Athletic Board of Control to fill the vacancy caused by Mr. J.C. Kemp's retirement, and which has been temporarily filled by Mr. Walter Molson.

Yours faithfully,

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY.

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Pass to Currie

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PRINCIPAL AND VICE-CHANCELLOR
SIR ARTHUR W. CURRIE, G.C.M.G., K.C.B.

FROM

THE PRINCIPAL AND VICE-CHANCELLOR

MCGILL UNIVERSITY

MONTREAL

October 10th, 1923

To the Graduates of McGill University,

You all remember the great Reunion held in 1921 to commemorate our centenary. On that occasion the graduates initiated a movement charged with wonderful possibilities for the good of the University. They decided to constitute a fund to which every graduate should make an annual contribution. The enthusiasm with which the proposal was then greeted fills me with confidence in the success of the appeal which is now made.

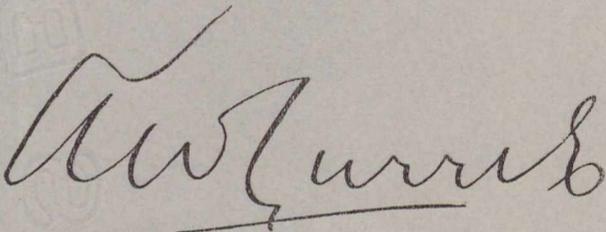
The need for additional income is a very real and, I fear, an everlasting urgency. The fees received from the undergraduates represent about 30% of the University's expenditure and when supplemented by the income from investments they provide an amount which scarcely meets the present outlay. This means that it is difficult to take care of present necessities satisfactorily, while future growth and expansion are seriously handicapped.

We cannot increase the undergraduates' fees at the present time, since they are already higher than those called for by other universities. We feel that the present time is inopportune for launching a large and comprehensive campaign, as our last effort is too recent and the general financial conditions too unsatisfactory.

Nevertheless, much can be done if a small amount were contributed annually by the graduates; for instance, were we assured of \$30,000 annually for the next few years we would be justified in beginning at once the construction of a new gymnasium. \$30,000 is the annual income of one half million dollars,--the amount necessary to make up the cost of the building as planned (\$800,000 will provide building, equipment and maintenance, and we have \$300,000 on hand). When capital funds are again raised the \$500,000 borrowed would be paid off. \$30,000 is not much for the graduates of McGill University to provide each year, and were it spent in the manner suggested an outstanding necessity would be provided for at once.

The graduates of McGill have been a great help to the University in the past, particularly in the last campaign. Their practical interest encourages and stimulates the administration to a degree of which they cannot be fully aware. McGill is doing a work worth while. If you believe that, there need be no apology offered in making an appeal to you. I, for one, have every confidence that the response will be full and generous.

Yours faithfully,



A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "A. W. Currie". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above a horizontal line that serves as a separator between the signature and the typed name below.

Principal.

Cable Address "ADVOCATES"

Claxton and Claxton
Barristers & Solicitors

British Empire Building

A. G. B. CLAXTON, K.C.
BROOKE CLAXTON

Montreal December 15th, 1923.

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

My dear Sir Arthur;-

I am enclosing you "Willie
White's" cheque for \$42. towards that Graduates
Fund which you did so much in inspiring and I
know you will send it on to the spot where it
ought to go.

Mr. White sent it to me as I
had undertaken to look after the "Old Boys".

With kindest regards and wishing
you a very merry Christmas.

Yours very sincerely,

Encl.

Alfred Claxton

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December 17th, 1923.

A. G. B. Claxton, Esq., K.C.,
British Empire Building,
Montreal.

Dear Mr. Claxton:-

Thank you very much for your
letter of December 15th, with Mr. White's cheque
for \$42.00.

I shall see that it reaches the
proper spot without delay. It is very nice to
know that the "Old Boys" are joining so well in
the Graduates' Fund work, and I am sure you will
look after them most successfully.

Reciprocating your wishes, for
a Merry Christmas, I am,

Yours faithfully,

McGILL UNIVERSITY
MONTREAL

OCTOBER 18th, 1924.

FACULTY OF MEDICINE
OFFICE OF THE DEAN

Colonel Bovey,
Principal's Office,
McGill University.

Dear Colonel Bovey,

I have received your letter of the 17th inst., and, as suggested,
I have to-day written a line to Dr. Laidlaw, asking if some change could
not be made in the dates of the Graduates' Society meetings.

Yours sincerely,

C. F. Martin
DEAN.

April 30, 1925.

W.D. McLennan, Esq.,
Executive Secretary,
McGill Graduates' Society.

Dear Mr. McLennan:-

I feel that the proposal of the McGill Graduates' Society for a reunion to be held in 1926 is a most timely one, and I know of no organization better fitted than yours to make such an occasion a great success. It is only by such meetings that the graduates, the staff and the undergraduates can maintain the feeling that they are all integral parts of the University, that 'McGill' includes not only those who are now within our gates, but all those who have passed through them.

Reunions at less than five year intervals would, I think, lack something of the interest of general quinquennial meetings, when many would make a considerable sacrifice to come, with the assurance that they would have an opportunity of greeting the greatest possible number of their old friends. On the other hand, an interval greater than five years would be excessive. I believe that very few things could be of more benefit to McGill than the establishment of quinquennial reunions as a regular custom, and I need hardly assure you that you can count on my cordial co-operation.

Yours faithfully,

Principal.

A. T. Bazin, M. D., *President*
H. M. Lamb, M. Sc., *Hon. Treasurer*
J. W. Jenkins, B. A., *Hon. Secretary*

W. D. McLennan, B. Arch., *Executive Secretary*
McGill University, Montreal
Phone Uptown 5920

THE GRADUATES' SOCIETY OF
McGill University



Montreal, April 22nd, 1925

General Sir Arthur Currie,
Principal,
McGill University.

Dear Sir:-

At a meeting of the Executive Committee of this Society held last night, the question of a general reunion in the near future was discussed. It was the opinion of the meeting that it would be very desirable to hold such a reunion in October 1926.

The Committee feels that active work should start immediately, but before anything is done they would like to have your opinion. Would you, therefore, kindly let me know at your earliest convenience if you approve of the idea.

Yours very truly,

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY.

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A. T. Bazin, M. D., *President*
W. G. Hanson, B.Sc., *Hon. Treasurer*
W. C. Nicholson, B.A., B.C.L., *Hon. Secretary*

W. D. McLennan, B. Arch., *Executive Secretary*
McGill University, Montreal
Phone Uptown 5920

THE GRADUATES' SOCIETY OF
McGill University



Montreal, February 16th,
1926

Sir Arthur Currie,
Principal,
McGill University,
Montreal.

Dear Sir:-

I am enclosing herewith a tentative programme for the Reunion drawn up by the Committee at last night's meeting.

I was instructed to find out what functions the University plans to hold on the afternoon and evening of Founder's Day, so that this programme can appear in the March issue of the "McGill News", as complete as possible.

We are endeavouring to have all all copy for the March issue in the printer's hands by February 22nd, and I would therefore be greatly obliged if I might have your reply before that date.

Yours very truly,

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY.

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THE TWENTY NINTH CLASHES WITH OTHER FUNCTIONS ABOUT FORTY EXPECTED
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SECRETARY MCGILL GRADUATE SOCIETY OF HALIFAX

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best wishes for your meeting and for the success of your society*



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Montreal Feb 22/24

W P Cupps
Dept of Engineering
Dalhousie University Halifax, U.S.

Your letter 19th to Graduate Society Principal
Proposes sending Mr Cyrus Macmillan at
expense of university. Night of 28th very difficult
as practically one week's work would be lost.
Would it be possible for you to have your meeting
on 29th in view of Mr Macmillan coming and do you
think attendance would justify university sending him.

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W. J. CAMP, Assistant Manager, Montreal, Que.
D. H. BOWEN, Supt., Sudbury, Ont.
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DOCKET ENDS:

MARITIMES - GRADUATE SOCIETIES

DOCKET STARTS:

ONTARIO - GRADUATES'
SOCIETIES

January
Twelfth
1923.

Dr. G.E.J. Lannin,
Royal Connaught,
150 James Street South,
Hamilton, Ont.

Dear Dr. Lannin:-

Mr. Jeakins, Secretary of the McGill Graduates' Society, has passed on to me your letter of January 3rd containing the pleasing and welcome information that there has been formed in Hamilton a McGill Graduate Society with yourself as Secretary. Let me wish you all success.

I note that you wish to have an inaugural banquet some time during March. Certainly some one will go from Montreal to represent the University, but I was wondering whether it would be possible to hold this banquet about the date the Toronto Society has its annual meeting. If so, the representative from the University could attend one function one night and the other the next, but possibly you consider such an arrangement inadvisable. I shall be very glad to hear what you think of this suggestion.

Let me again give you the assurance that we are very glad the Society has been formed and that someone will be sent from Montreal to represent the University on the occasion of your inaugural banquet.

Yours faithfully,

Principal.

JURBEN LANNIN, M. D. C. M.
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January Fifteenth,

1 9 2 3.

Sir Arthur Curry,
Principal of McGill University,
Montreal, Canada.

My dear Sir Arthur:

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your kind favor of January twelfth, and in reply wish to express our appreciation and thankfulness for your kind assurance that a representative from the University will be with us in March.

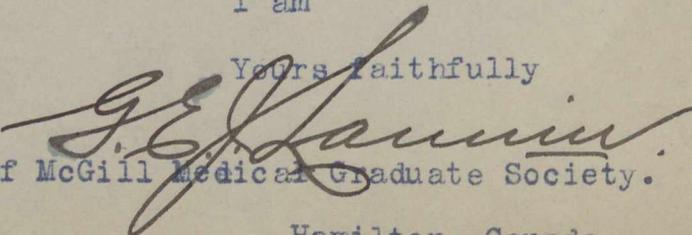
It is the unanimous feeling of the men here that they would like very much to have you come yourself for the inaugural banquet if it is possible for you to so arrange .

In the meantime I will write Mr. Jeakins again to ask him for the names of the President and Secretary of the Graduate Society in Toronto which I have not yet received, in order that I may get in touch with these men, and see what arrangements they are contemplating, and as soon after I have taken the matter up with them I will then write you definitely our definite plans so that we can make final arrangements.

Thanking you for your Courtesy in this matter.

I am

Yours faithfully


Secretary of McGill Medical Graduate Society.

JL/LH.

Hamilton, Canada.

March
Fourteenth
1923.

R. M. Scrivener, Esq.,
183 George Street,
Toronto, Ont.

Dear Mr. Scrivener:-

In reply to your letter of March 12th let me give you the assurance that I shall be only too happy to join the McGill graduates living in Toronto on the occasion of their annual dinner.

What I suggest is that you and the Hamilton graduates confer and decide whether you wish me to go the third or the fourth week in April and let me know as soon as possible. I do not think it makes very much difference, as far as convenience to myself is concerned, whether I speak in Toronto on Friday night or Saturday night.

Please let me know your final arrangements as soon as possible.

Yours faithfully,

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Toronto Office
215 Dundas St. East

March 12th, 1923.

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

Dear Mr. Currie:-

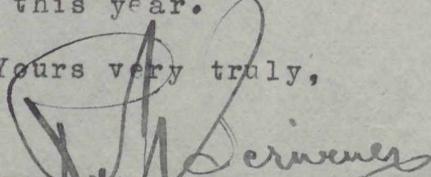
The Executive of the McGill Society of Toronto have instructed me to write to you to invite you to be present at their annual dinner to be held towards the end of April.

We have been advised that the recently formed Hamilton McGill Society have invited you to attend their first annual dinner, which they desire to hold somewhere about the same time. They have communicated with us suggesting that if you were to be present at the dinner of the Toronto Society they could very readily arrange to hold their dinner either the night before or the night after ours so that you could be present at both dinners with a minimum loss of time and a minimum of inconvenience.

We would arrange to have our dinner towards the latter part of April, and if it could be arranged to meet your convenience, perhaps to hold it on either Friday or Saturday night. Of course we are leaving the precise dates entirely open until we hear from you as to the date that would best suit your convenience.

We have been fortunate for the last three years in being able to have you with us at our annual dinner and it has been such an attractive feature and such a great influence in maintaining the interest of the local graduates of the University that we most sincerely trust you will find it possible to be with us again this year.

Yours very truly,


Secretary Treasurer 1923 Dinner Committee.

R.M. Scrivener,
183 George St.,
TORONTO

March
Thirty-first
1923.

Dr. G.E.J. Lannin,
150 James Street South,
Hamilton, Ont.

Dear Dr. Lannin:-

Thank you for your letter of March
29th.

I look forward with much pleasure to
being in Hamilton on Friday evening, April 20th. I
shall leave Montreal at ten o'clock that morning by
the Canadian National and I think that gets me into
Hamilton at 7.15 p.m.

It is rather early for me to give you
the subject of my address, but I imagine I shall have
a good deal to say about the University, its present
progress, its future plans and its relationship to
Canadian life generally.

With all good wishes, I am,

Yours faithfully,

Principal.

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March Twenty-Ninth,

1 9 2 3.

Sir Arthur Curry,
Principal McGill University,
Montreal Canada.

Dear Sir Arthur:

It affords me pleasure to advise you that in conference with our Executive here this afternoon it was definitely decided to Co-operate with the Toronto Society and hold our Inaugural Banquet here Friday Evening April 20th, and to welcome as our Honored guests yourself and Secretary Mr. Jeakins together with any other visitors who might come from Montreal.

I would be very glad if you will be kind enough to intimate to me some idea along what lines your address will be for Press purposes and also what train we may expect you to arrive on and about what hour, in order that I may definitely fix the dinner hour.

Expressing to you our highest appreciation.

I am,

Yours faithfully,

J. E. Lannin
Secretary McGill Medical Society, Hamilton,

JL/LH.

April
Ninth
1923.

R. M. Scrivener, Esq.,
183 George Street,
Toronto, Ont.

Dear Mr. Scrivener:-

Replying to your letter of April 5th, let me say that it will give me much pleasure to attend the Annual Dinner of the McGill Graduates' Society of Toronto at the King Edward Hotel, at 7.30 p.m. on the evening of Saturday, the 21st of April.

I am going to Hamilton the night before and I also understand that Dr. Birkett has received an invitation and is going too. I hope you will not change your arrangements, but I feel that I should tell you that Dr. Birkett has not been Dean of the Faculty of Medicine for the past two years, Dr. Finley being Dean in 1921-22 and Dr. Armstrong in 1922-23. However, Dr. Birkett will be a very worthy representative of the Medical Faculty.

With all good wishes, I am,

Yours faithfully,

Principal.

MCGILL SOCIETY OF TORONTO



L. M. ARKLEY, *President*

J. R. DONALD, *Secretary*

TORONTO, April 5th, 1923.

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

Dear Sir Arthur:-

We very much regret that we were unable sooner to reply to your kind letter in which you stated that you would be pleased to be present at our Annual Dinner this year.

Before replying we had to get in touch with the Hamilton Society and unfortunately, due to the illness of their Secretary, could only get information from them last Saturday, and when we received it we were still in some doubt whether we could hold our dinner the day after they had fixed owing to the illness of several of our own Executive.

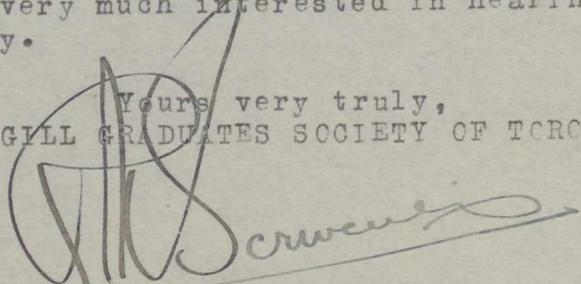
Those difficulties have been overcome now and the Toronto Society have decided to hold their Dinner at the King Edward Hotel at 7:30 P.M. on the evening of Saturday, the 21st.

We trust that the delay in advising you will not make it inconvenient for you to be here but as we understand that you have accepted the invitation to go to Hamilton on the preceding evening, we are much in hope that that will not be the case.

As a very large proportion of the graduates in Toronto are graduates of the Medical Faculty the Society is inviting Dr. Birkett, the Dean of that Faculty, to be present also this year, and we are in very great hopes he will be able to make the trip as many of the Medical graduates have stated they would be very much interested in hearing from a member of their own Faculty.

Yours very truly,
MCGILL GRADUATES SOCIETY OF TORONTO.

R.M. Scrivener,
183 George St.,
Toronto, Ont.


Secy-Treas. 1923 Dinner Committee.

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May Fifth,

1923.

Sir Arthur Curry,
Principal McGill University,
Montreal, Canada.

Dear Sir Arthur:

It has been brought to the attention of some of our Executive here that there is a strong Probability that the Right Mr. David Lloyd George will be making a Tour of some parts of the United States and Canada, some time during the fall or Early Winter, and in the event of his doing so, we would like very much to entertain him here, and have him speak at Dinner under our Auspices.

I have, therefore, been instructed to write you to ask for your personal assistance in an endeavor to get Mr. Lloyd George to speak to us here as above stated.

We would, therefore, be very glad if you will be kind enough to take this matter up with Mr. Lloyd George for us, and advise me when you are doing so in order that I can write him at the same time.

Trusting that this plan meets with your approval, and waiting the favor of your reply in the matter, I am

Yours faithfully,

G. E. Lannin

May
Seventh
1923.

Dr. G.E.J. Lannin,
150 James Street South,
Hamilton, Ont.

My dear Dr. Lannin:-

I acknowledge with pleasure receipt of your letter of May 5th and note that our Society in Hamilton is anxious to have Lloyd George speak there under their auspices.

This is strong evidence of enthusiasm - a quality much to be encouraged. It is therefore with much diffidence that I give you my opinion that I do not think there is one chance in the world of Mr. Lloyd George speaking in Hamilton under the auspices of the McGill Graduate Society. I think it would be a waste of time to write him because I am positive he would not agree. Should he visit Canada next Autumn and go to Hamilton I think it would be better for him to appear under the auspices of the City Council and all Societies and organizations there.

When he comes to Montreal, if the University is in session I shall ask him to speak to the students, but if the session has not begun I am afraid the McGill Society of Montreal could not hope to have him speak under their auspices. Such bodies as the Board of Trade, Chamber of Commerce, Canadian Club and all the other organizations, men and women's clubs, would, I think, resent it if he ignored them for us. If the McGill Society were bringing him to Canada it would be a different thing. If he spoke under the auspices of

Dr. G.E.J. Lannin - 2 -

the McGill Society in one place every other Society in Canada would expect me to arrange a similar function for them, and that, of course, you will realize, would be beyond the bounds of possibility.

I hope, dear Dr. Lannin, that you will not misunderstand me. I am anxious, as you are, to do everything possible to increase the name and prestige of McGill and I do not wish to appear indifferent to the suggestion you have made. Something tells me, however, that the suggestion is not possible of realization.

With all good wishes, I am,

Yours faithfully,

Principal.

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December Nineteenth,

1 9 2 3.

Professor Stephen Leacock,
McGill University,
Montreal, Canada.

Dear Professor Leacock:

At a recent meeting of our Executive it has been
definitely arranged to hold our Banquet on the evening of Monday
February Eleventh, next.

We find that Hotel Accomodation positively cannot
be secured for Saturday evenings, and the above date is the only
one available for our purposes.

Doctor George E. Vincent, President of the Rocke-
feller Foundation has consented to be with us, and will no doubt
discuss some Phases of the Foundation work.

We are anxious to assure ~~the~~ the attendance of
every McGill Graduate from Western and Southern Ontario, and their
friends, at this Banquet, as it is vitally important to the future
of our Alumni here.

We would appreciate particularly your coming on
this occasion. Mr. F. I. Ker, Manager of the Hamilton Spectator

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endeavor

and a member of our Executive, will ~~be down~~¹ to see you Personally Saturday December Twenty-Second, with reference to this matter, and we confidently anticipate a favorable reply.

Regretting our inability to make arrangements for a Saturday evening affair.

I am,

Yours faithfully,

G. J. Lannin

secretary McGill Graduate Alumni,
Hamilton, and Southern Ontario.

September 12th, 1924.

Dr. George C. Hale,
20 Hayman Court Apartments,
London, Ontario.

My dear Dr. Hale:-

Thank you for your letter of
the 10th of September.

When I visit London in October
at the time of the time of the University ceremonies
I shall be very glad to dine with the local McGill
graduates. The evening of October 17th will suit
me and I would prefer a small informal party to which
only McGill men would be invited.

I assure you that I appreciate
this suggested courtesy on the part of McGill men
in London and look forward with much pleasure to
seeing you then.

Yours faithfully,

Principal.

DR. GEORGE C. HALE

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LONDON, ONTARIO, CANADA

September 10th,
1924.

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

Dear Sir Arthur:

In discussing your proposed visit to London next month Colonel Eric Reid mentioned to me that you had been kind enough to express to him a wish to meet the McGill graduates, if an opportunity presented itself.

We have no local McGill Graduates' Society, but yesterday a dozen of us had a meeting, as a result of which I have been delegated to write and invite you to a dinner to be given by us on the evening of Friday, October 17th. The question under discussion is whether to have it consist of a small informal party - there will only be about fifteen of us available - with perhaps a game of cards afterwards, or whether you would prefer a formal gathering including some outside men who might be friends of yours. I wish you would state your preference quite frankly when you write me.

Mr. C.R. Somerville tells me that as far as other local official arrangements go, you will be free that evening, and we will promise to break up the party in time for your Saturday morning game of golf.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

George C. Hale

GCH:LW.

DOCKET ENDS:

ONTARIO - GRADUATES'
SOCIETIES

DOCKET STARTS:

OTTAWA VALLEY - GRADUATES
SOCIETY

January
Second
1923.

Robert C. Berry Esq.,
Hon. Secretary Treasurer,
The Ottawa Valley Graduates Society,
54 The Driveway,
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Mr. Berry:

It was more than kind of you to
write me offering the good wishes of the Ottawa Valley
Graduates' Society. These are most cordially recipro-

I am very glad that Dean Laing is
going up to your annual meeting as I know all the
members will be more than delighted with him.

Sully,



54 The Driveway ,
Ottawa, Dec. 28, 1922.

Sir Arthur Currie,
Principal McGill University,
Montreal, Que.

Dear Sir Arthur;-

On behalf of the Executive of the Ottawa Valley Graduate Society of McGill University I have great pleasure in wishing you and the members of the various faculties of our Alma Mater a very happy and prosperous New Year.

Yours very sincerely,

Hon. Sec. Treas.



54 The Driveway,
Ottawa, Dec. 3, 1923.

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

Dear Sir Arthur;-

In reply to your letter of Nov. 30th, I would like to point out that you are evidently mistaken as to the parties who are responsible for the question of extra mural or post graduate studies. You are not dealing with the Ottawa Valley Graduates Society but the Professional Institute of the Civil Service. When Mr. K. M. Cameron, Chief Engineer of Public Works, spoke to you at our Graduate Society Banquet in the House of Commons Restaurant, over two years ago, he was speaking to you as president of the Professional Institute of the Civil Service. I believe they appointed a committee at that time and some communication took place between it and McGill University of which you are no doubt familiar. Mr. Cameron wrote me a letter this spring asking me to use my office as Secretary of the Graduates Society to bring this matter before the parent Society in Montreal, This I did. The matter was again brought up at one of the Professional Institute Council meetings a couple of months ago and Mr. Cameron was asked to present a report on extra mural studies at the annual meeting on Dec. 4th. Mr. Cameron wrote me and asked me to prepare the report for him, as I was more familiar with what stage matters had reached. This I have done from your last letter to me. Therefore it remains for the Professional Institute to discuss the matter at the Annual meeting and their new executive to act according to their wishes. They will no doubt communicate with you if they see fit.

According to the Graduate Society Constitution an annual meeting takes place in the second week of January, and we will no doubt expect to have a speaker or speakers from McGill. We have an executive meeting on Thursday.

Trusting this will explain matters more clearly.

I remain,

Yours very truly,

Robert C. Berry
Robert C. Berry,
Hon. Sec. Treas.

April
Seventeenth
1923.

Robert C. Berry, Esq.,
54 The Driveway,
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Mr. Berry:-

Will you please convey to the Executive of the Ottawa Valley Graduates' Society my warm appreciation of their kind invitation to attend the dinner dance which they are holding at the Rivermead Golf Club, on Wednesday evening, May 2nd.

I am sure this will be a most enjoyable affair and I am sorry that it will be impossible for me to be present. April and May are very busy months at the University and it so happens that I have an important meeting for the evening mentioned.

With all good wishes for a successful function, I am,

Ever yours faithfully,

Principal.



54 The Driveway,
Ottawa, Apr. 12, 1923.

Sir Arthur Currie,
Principal McGill University,
Montreal.

My Dear Sir Arthur:

The Executive of the Ottawa Valley Graduates Society have decided to hold a dinner dance at the Rivermead Golf Club on Wednesday evening May the 2nd. at 7.15 P.M. We desire the pleasure of your presence at this formal event. Arrangements will be made to meet you at whatever train you care to take. Kindly let me know at your earliest convenience whether the arrangements are satisfactory. With best wishes.

Yours very sincerely,

Hon. Sec. Treas.



54 The Driveway,
Ottawa, Apr. 19, 1923.

Sir Arthur Currie, K.C.M.G. C.V.O. L.L.D.
Principal, McGill University.

My Dear Sir Arthur:-

I have your letter of the 17th. inst. regretting that you will be unable to attend our banquet followed by a dance at the Rivermead Golf Club on Wednesday Evening May the 2nd. at 7.45 P.M.

It is considered ~~very~~ important that we have representatives from McGill University to represent you personally and the University. The Executive have suggested to me the names of Dr. Stephen Leacock and Dr. W. W. Chipman. You might tell Dr. Leacock that this banquet is not being held in Ontario but across the River in good old Quebec, and we see no reason why he can not come as one of the representatives from our Alma Mater. We also especially desire Dr. W. W. Chipman and would ask you to bring pressure that these two prominent McGill men should be with us on this evening.

Kindly let me know right away.
With best wishes,

Yours very sincerely,

Robert L. King

Hon. Sec. Treas.

December 19th, 1923.

Robert C. Berry, Esq.,
54, The Driveway,
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Mr. Berry:-

With reference to your letter of yesterday, I know that it is impossible for Dr. W. W. Chipman to go on the date mentioned, but Dr. Eve has promised me this morning that he will be very glad to go to Ottawa and address the McGill Graduates' Society on January 15th next.

I am sorry that the date decided upon makes it impossible for me to go because on that date I have an engagement with the Governor General here and must leave that night to fill an engagement in Toronto the next day.

With all good wishes for the success of the function and to yourself, I am,

Yours faithfully,



54 The Driveway,
Ottawa, Dec. 17th, 1923.

Sir Arthur W. Currie, G.C.M.G., K.C.B., ELD.
Principle McGill University,
Montreal, Que.

Dear Sir Arthur:-

Our Annual Meeting of the Ottawa Valley Graduate Society of McGill University will take place on Tuesday evening Jan. the 15th. at the Chateau Laurier, Ottawa. The executive have asked me to get Dr. W. W. Chipman or Dr. Eve to address them on this evening. Dr. Chipman has acknowledged my letter by stating that he has already a couple of engagements for January and he doesn't see how he can give any further addresses during the month of January. Therefore I am writing Dr. Eve today asking him if he would address us at our Annual meeting on January the 15th. If you will take this matter up at once with either of these two men and have one of them appointed to represent the University at our Annual meeting this would do us a great favor.

Please let me know what result you have.

With best wishes,

Yours very sincerely,

Hon. Sec. Treas.



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attend prepared to discuss all extension
courses. If possible have several
members your Society present so that
they may arrive at some conclusion*

A. W. Currie

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March 28th, 1924.

Robert C. Berry, Esq.,
54, The Driveway,
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Mr. Berry:-

Thank you very much for your letter of March 27th and your kind words about my address before St. Andrew's Men's Association.

With reference to the dinner and dance of the Ottawa Valley Graduates' Society on the evening of April 28th, I shall get in touch with Dr. Chipman and let you know if it will be possible for him to go to Ottawa to be present on this occasion.

With all good wishes, I am,

Yours faithfully,

January 3rd, 1924.

Robert C. Berry, Esq.,
54, The Driveway,
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Mr. Berry:-

I thank you for your letter of the 2nd instant and for the kind wishes extended therein.

I hope that it will be possible for Professor Smith and one or two other representatives of the University to be with you at your annual meeting on January 15th, when some way may be found of benefitting the University in Ottawa.

I should like, if possible, to carry out the request contained in the resolution of your Society, which was duly passed to me by Mr. McLennan, and have asked Professor Smith to write you direct regarding arrangements.

Most cordially reciprocating your good wishes, I am,

Yours faithfully,



54 The Driveway,
Ottawa, Jan. 2, 1923.

Sir Arthur W. Currie,
Principle McGill University,
Montreal, Que.

Dear Sir Arthur:-

The Ottawa Valley Graduates Society of
McGill University extends to you and the Officers of
McGill University greetings and best wishes for the
New Year.

Yours very sincerely,

Hon. Sec. Treas.

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54 The Driveway,

Ottawa, Mar. 27, 1924.

Sir Arthur Currie,
Principal,
McGill University,
Montreal.

Dear Sir Arthur;-

Your recent address before St. Andrew's Men's Association was greatly enjoyed by the McGill graduates present.

On Monday April the 28th. at the Chateau Laurier our Society is holding a banquet and dance. The Executive have asked me to request that you appoint Dr. W.W. Chipman, as the official representative of the University. They are very anxious that he should be their guest and address us on this particular evening.

Kindly let me know at once if this is acceptable, and use your pressure to convince him to come.

With best wishes.

Yours sincerely,

(Robert C. Berry)

Hon. Sec. Treas.

April 16th, 1924.

R. L. Berry, Esq.,
54, The Driveway,
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Mr. Berry:-

I beg to acknowledge your letter of the 12th instant and appreciate very much your invitation to myself in case I could not get Dr. Martin or Dr. Leacock.

I have, however, been able to get Dr. Martin. You might perhaps make your further arrangements direct with him.

Yours faithfully,

Wilfrid Bovey.

Copy to Dr. Martin,



54 The Driveway,

Ottawa, Apr. 12, 1924.

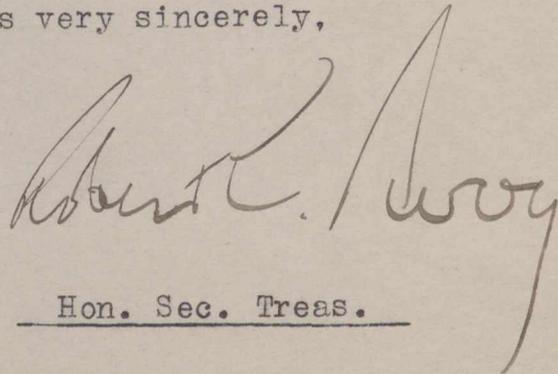
Col. W. Bovey,
Sec. to the Principal of McGill University.
Montreal.

Dear Col. Bovey:-

Mr. McLennan has probably informed you that we are requesting a representative from the University to reply to our toast to "Old McGill" at our banquet on Apr. 28th. at the Chateau Laurier at 7.P.M. He has suggested to you the names of Dr. Martin and Dr. Leacock, as Dr. W.W. Chipman has answered regretting his inability to attend. We are very anxious to have a very good speaker representing the University and would suggest if you fail to get either of the above men that you accept our invitation to yourself. I assure you that the Executive would be very glad to see you there. Kindly give this matter your immediate attention and reply to the above address.

With best wishes,

Yours very sincerely,



Hon. Sec. Treas.

DOCKET ENDS:

OTTAWA VALLEY - GRADUATES'
SOCIETY

DOCKET STARTS:

U.S.A. - GRADUATE
SOCIETIES

January
Twentieth
1923.

Dr. Charles H. Higgins,
511 Fifth Avenue,
New York City.

Dear Dr. Higgins:-

I am sorry that I did not reply to your first letter re the Annual Dinner of the New York McGill Graduates' Society. I was waiting in order to have definitely settled just who would go to represent the University.

It so happens that at this moment I am in no better position than before. I would like to get down myself, but I feel that, owing to the abundance of work here that will be impossible. However, I hope to let you know early next week just who will be in attendance. Perhaps we had better settle on February 10th as the definite date for the dinner.

With all good wishes to you and other members of the Society, I am,

Yours faithfully,

Principal.

511 Fifth Ave.,
New York City.
Jan. 18th, 1923.

Sir Arthur Currie,
Principal, McGill University,
Montreal, Canada.

My Dear Sir Arthur;-

I have not had a reply to my letter of the 19th with reference to the annual dinner of the Graduates Society.

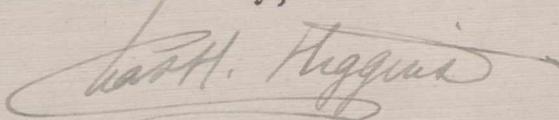
We would like to arrange to have this on the 3rd or 10th of February and if either date is to be decided upon we must get busy if we are to have a creditable turnout.

Can you let me know by return mail which of the dates mentioned would be more convenient for yourself or such representative of the University as you may designate to be in attendance?

The enthusiasm has been worked up and kept active during the past year and we cannot let it wane.

Awaiting your reply, I am

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "L. H. Piggott", written in dark ink. The signature is fluid and somewhat stylized, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

LEDERLE ANTITOXIN LABORATORIES
511 FIFTH AVENUE
CORNER OF FORTY-THIRD STREET
NEW YORK CITY

January 26th, 1923.

Sir Arthur W. Currie,
Principal McGill University,
Montreal, Canada.

My dear Sir Arthur,

Yours of the 20th received and we just had a meeting today and decided to have our annual dinner on February tenth.

We are depending upon your securing a speaker for us. We have also learned that Professor Steven Leacock is to be at the Canadian Club for luncheon on February tenth and possibly he may desire to stay over and attend the McGill graduates dinner. If so, we will be very glad to have him. Perhaps he may consent to address the graduates and if so this will be perfectly acceptable to us. We feel that any arrangement you make will be satisfactory.

I have written Sir Aucland Geddes asking him to be present and possibly a request from you would aid us in getting him as an attraction. We will appreciate any assistance that you can give in this connection.

The place where we will have the dinner has not been decided, but you will get due notice of this in the regular way of circulation.

Thanking you for your kindness and assuring you that the New York graduates regret exceedingly that you will be unable to be present, I am

Yours very truly,

Chas. H. Higgins

Secretary
New York Graduates Society
McGill University

COPY
LEDERLE ANTITOXIN LABORATORIES
NEW YORK CITY

January 26th, 1923.

Sir Aucland Geddes,
British Embassy,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Sir Aucland,

Dr. E. P. Mathewson of the New York Graduates Society of McGill University has requested that I write you and extend an invitation for you to be present at our dinner on February tenth.

We are not aware of the exact location, but this will be decided later and due notice can be accorded you. We anticipate that your engagements will permit your attendance and attendance need not, unless you wish, imply an obligation to speak, although I am sure that the graduates will be very glad to have you address them.

We learn that Professor Steven Leacock is to be a guest of the Canadian Club for luncheon on February tenth and this may possibly be an added inducement for you to come to New York at that time.

We have been in communication with Sir Arthur Currie and he has agreed to see that we get a speaker to represent the University.

The New York Graduates Society is a real, live bunch and we are sure that you will be very glad to renew your associations with some of the men who were in the University when you were principal.

Anticipating that we may have the pleasure of seeing you on February tenth, I am

Yours very truly,

Secretary,
New York Graduates Society
McGill University

McGILL UNIVERSITY
FACULTY OF DENTISTRY

OFFICE OF THE DEAN

MONTREAL, January 29, 1923.

Sir Arthur W. Currie,
Principal McGill University,
Montreal, P.Q.,

Dear Sir:-

On Friday night, January 19th., I had the great pleasure of dining with the McGill Graduates Society, of Chicago. It was a very enjoyable affair, and those who were present asked me to convey to you their affection for their Alma Mater, and their wish that the splendid work in which you are engaged may long be continued, and that even greater success may in the future crown the work of "Old McGill".

I am

Very truly yours

T-C

W. Thos. Stewart



25 East
Washington St

Chicago, Ill.
Jan. 31, 1924.

Sir Arthur W. Currie,
Principal McGill University,
Montreal Quebec.

Dear Sir Arthur:

The British Empire Association of Illinois, of which I have been a member for several years, has through its Secretary, asked me as the McGill Alumni Secretary to invite you to be the principal speaker at the Empire Day Banquet the week of May 24th, or even the week previous in the event that you cannot accept for that of the 24th.

It is the intention to have all the British Societies, The English Speaking Union, and last but not nearest to your heart, the members of the McGill Alumni participate.

The meeting is for the purpose of celebrating Empire Day and its significance to the English speaking peoples, and the occasion is one when an opportunity presents itself for placing before an American audience its basis of a real understanding among the English speaking peoples.

Any profits accruing from the gathering will go toward the Building Fund of the British Old People's Home here. If you can honor us with your presence, we can promise you a most hospitable reception and an enthusiastic audience.

Trusting you and Lady Currie are enjoying the best of health, I am

Your devoted son of McGill,

Norman Kerr



Chicago, Feb. 9, 1924.

Sir Arthur W. Currie,
Principal, McGill University,
Montreal, Quebec.

Dear Sir Arthur,

The Committees, both of the British Empire Association and of the McGill Alumni, regret very much that they did not allow you to choose any date in the month of May on which it might be possible for you to address us and the many friends who will wish to meet and hear you with profit.

We are not exactly unselfish in this matter, but at the same time, we feel that it will afford a good opportunity to bring McGill University and what she stands for before an American audience.

If you can possibly give us any date in May, it will make many of us in Chicago very happy.

Please wire me your decision at my expense.

Yours for Old McGill,

Norman Kerr

I ~~am~~ most sincerely
regret that my Doctor has
~~for some time, going to Renfrew,~~
ordered me to remain without doing
thus making it impossible to go
to Renfrew. Please convey to the
mayor and council and to my old
comrades my sense of keen
disappointment and my
best wishes. I am more sorry
than I can say that I shall not
see you ~~before~~ ~~the~~ inducted into
the rank of *monseigneur* as a ^{won.} ~~merit~~ ~~hon.~~
distinction you have so worthily ~~earned~~
All your old comrades in the Canadian
Corps and they are legion will ever
remain convinced that your war record
~~was~~ alone merited this honor.

October 1st, 1924.

Dr. Norman Kerr,
25 East Washington Street,
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Dr. Kerr:-

I beg to acknowledge and to thank you for your letter of September 18th, inviting me to be the guest of the Chicago Alumni on my way to or from the meeting of the Tri-State Medical Association. I would like very much to be able to accept your invitation and regret that on account of pressure of work here I was obliged to cancel my engagement in Milwaukee.

With all good wishes to the members of your Alumni, I am,

Yours faithfully,

Principal.



Chicago Sept. 18th. 1924

Sir Arthur W. Currie.
Principal McGill University
Montreal Quebec.

Dear Sir Arthur.

The members of the Chicago Alumni wish to know if it is possible for you to favor us with your presence either on your way or upon your return from the meeting of the Tri-State District Medical Association. Either a luncheon or a dinner will be acceptable.

Our pride and confidence in you is richly enhanced by the recognition which you are receiving by others than the McGill Family.

Who will accompany you?

Hoping for a favorable
reply I am

Yours Faithfully

Norman Kerr

Arthur E. Childs 77 Franklin St Boston Mass

Secretary Graduates Society has wired New England Society regarding address by Dr Leacock Monday or Tuesday, if large meeting impossible in so short a time Dr Leacock would be delighted to address even ten or twelve graduates, will you take this up with your society and wire me at University up to noon Saturday after that at 403 Mt Stephen Ave.

Day letter

Wilfrid Bovey

DOCKET ENDS:

U.S.A. - GRADUATE SOCIETIES

DOCKET STARTS:

VICTORIA - MCGILL UNDERGRADUATE
SOCIETY

DR. M. J. KEYS
EYE, EAR, NOSE AND THROAT

VICTORIA, B. C.

Aug. 4, 1923.

Sir Arthur Currie, G.C.M.G. K.C.B. LL. D.
Principal McGill University,
Montreal, P. Q.

Dear Sir Arthur:-

This is to inform you that at the annual meeting of the McGill Undergraduates Society of Victoria I was elected President and am taking this opportunity to remind you that if you know of any prominent McGill men headed this way during the coming year would be very glad if you would let us know.

I was just talking to Dr. Thomas, Secretary of the McGill Undergraduates Society, and there is a strong feeling among the McGill men of Victoria and the Island that our friend S. Willis, Superintendent of Education for B. C., is worthy and well qualified for the degree of L. L. D. so have made bold to mention the matter to you and hope you will take it under consideration.

I was sorry that I was out of town last year when you were in Victoria but hope for better luck next time.

Kindest personal regards and good wishes and greetings from the McGill Graduates of Victoria and Island.

I am,

Yours sincerely,

M. J. Keys

MJK/M.

August 13, 1923.

Dr. M. J. Keys,
Suite 307-5 Jones Building,
Victoria, B.C.

My dear Dr. Keys,

Thank you very much for your letter of the 4th. I am very glad to learn that you have been elected president of the McGill Undergraduates Society of Victoria and I offer you my sincere congratulations. Certainly if any of our prominent men are going out to the Coast I shall impress upon them the necessity of meeting our Graduates in Victoria. I hope that some time I may be able to spend a summer there myself.

I note what you say about Mr. Sam Willis, Superintendent of Education for British Columbia. As you doubtless know, nominations for LL.D. arise in some Faculties or I may make them myself. The practice of putting forward nominations myself is one I avoid, because, almost every week brings a letter from some quarter suggesting that McGill give an honorary degree to some person. However, Willis is an honoured Graduate of this University and is making a contribution to the cause of education in his Province. I have no doubt that some time McGill will grant him the distinction, but I cannot promise just when. I am, however, very glad to have your suggestion.

With all good wishes, believe me,

Yours faithfully,

Principal.

DOCKET ENDS:

VICTORIA - MCGILL UNDERGRADUATE
SOCIETY