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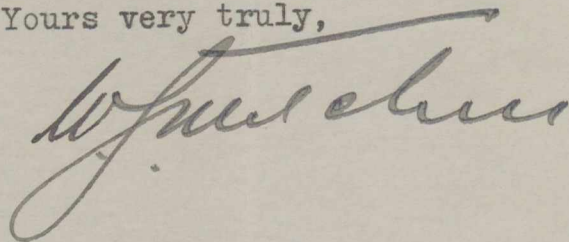
MONTREAL April 11, 1927.

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

My dear Sir Arthur:-

I enclose herewith copy of letter  
that I have received from the Hon. Mr. David,  
Provincial Secretary, which speaks for itself.

Yours very truly,



Enc.

PROVINCE OF QUEBEC

SECRETARIAT.

Montreal, April 5, 1927.

Hon. Walter Mitchell,  
190 St. James Street,  
Montreal.

Dear Sir:-

I take pleasure in letting you know that I will place a sum of \$25,000. at the disposal of the Normal School, Macdonald College of the McGill University, the said sum to be paid between now and the 25th July.

Hoping this will be found satisfactory,

Yours very truly,

ATAHANASE DAVID (sgd)

April 12th, 1927.

Hon. Walter Mitchell,  
190 St. James Street,  
Montreal, Que.

My dear Mr. Mitchell:-

Thank you very much for your  
letter of yesterday, to which was attached copy of  
Mr. David's letter to you.

The satisfactory termination of  
the request preferred on behalf of the Protestant  
Normal School at Macdonald College is greatly  
appreciated. It will enable us, as well, to strengthen  
our course for the training of High School teachers.

Yours faithfully,

Principal.

April 12th, 1927.

Hon. Athanase David,  
Minister of Education,  
Quebec, Que.

My dear Mr. Minister:-

I am today in receipt of a letter from the Hon. Walter Mitchell, Chairman of the Protestant Committee of the Department of Education, in which he encloses copy of your letter of April 5th to him.

The grant of \$25,000 to the Protestant Normal School now conducted at Macdonald College is very greatly appreciated by all interested in the training of Protestant teachers. We shall use part of the grant for strengthening the course for the training of teachers for high schools and academies.

With many thanks and all good wishes, I am, dear Mr. Minister,

Yours faithfully,

Principal.

December  
Sixth  
1927.

Hon. Athanase David,  
Minister of Education,  
Quebec, Que.

My dear Mr. Minister:

With reference to your letter to the Hon. Walter Mitchell of April 5th last, copy of which was forwarded to me, and in which you stated that you would place \$25,000.00 at the disposal of the Normal School at Macdonald College, I am now writing you to say that this money has not as yet been received by the University. I should appreciate very much any information you can give me as to when we may expect to receive this grant. I might add that the former grant from the Province to Macdonald College was usually paid in the Summer months.

I trust I am not troubling you too much in asking you to look into this question for me, but I know that you will understand that we are very much in need of this grant and it would be a distinct help to us to receive it as soon as possible.

With kind regards, I am, dear Mr.  
Minister,

Yours faithfully,

Principal

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February  
Sixth  
1928.

The Hon. Jacob Nicol,  
Provincial Treasurer,  
Quebec, Que.

My dear Mr. Minister:

I am enclosing copy of a letter dated April 5th, 1927, addressed by the Honourable Athanase David to the Honourable Walter Mitchell. I am enclosing also copy of a letter I wrote the Hon. Mr. David dated December 6th, 1927.

I should appreciate very much a message from you stating when the University may expect this year's payment of the annual grant of \$25,000.00 which the Province has made to the Normal School at Macdonald College.

With kind regards, I am, dear  
Mr. Minister,

Yours faithfully,

Principal



Quebec, February 8th., 1928.

Sir Arthur W. Currie, G.C.M.G., K.C.B., L.L.D.,  
3450 McTavish Street,  
Montreal, P.Q.

Dear Sir Arthur:-

I have just received your letter of the 6th and will take the matter up with Mr. David and the Premier at the very first occasion when I will again write you.

Yours truly.

Department of Education  
Quebec, P. Q.

HON. CYRILLE F. DELAGE

SUPERINTENDENT

When replying please give  
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FRENCH SECRETARY AND  
DEPUTY MINISTER OF THE  
DEPARTMENT.

G. W. PARMELEE

ENGLISH SECRETARY, DE-  
PUTY MINISTER OF THE  
DEPARTMENT, AND DI-  
RECTOR OF PROTESTANT  
EDUCATION.

April 3rd, 1928

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

Dear Sir Arthur:—

Referring again to your letter  
of March 24th, and to my reply of the 26th, I  
have to say that I have discussed with the Honour-  
able Mr. Nicol the question of the non-payment of  
the grant of \$25,000 which you expect annually for  
the School for Teachers.

The conversation did not result  
in anything that I can report further than this,  
that Mr. Nicol will take the matter up with the  
Prime Minister at an early date.

You will, I presume, hear from  
him in due course.

Yours faithfully,



Director of Protestant Education



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MONTREAL, April 3rd, 1928.

Sir Arthur W. Currie, G.C.M.G., K.C.B.,  
Principal and Vice-Chancellor,  
McGill University,  
Montreal, Que.

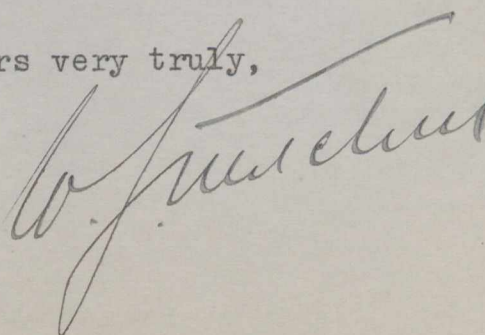
My dear Sir Arthur:

I enclose herewith copy of letter  
of the 27th ult. received from Dr. Parmelee, in  
reply to my letter of the 26th ult., copy of which  
I enclose.

I took this matter up with Hon. Mr.  
Taschereau personally this morning, and he said  
that there was no question of the amount being paid,  
as the Province had given its undertaking, and he  
would give it his attention at once.

If you do not hear from him in due  
course, let me know and I will take the matter up  
further.

Yours very truly,



WGM:AJ

Encl.

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MONTREAL, March 26th, 1928.

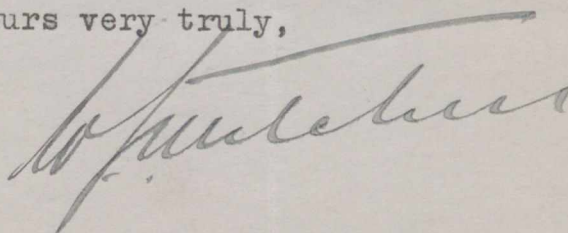
Sir Arthur W. Currie, G.C.M.G., K.C.B.,  
Principal and Vice-Chancellor,  
McGill University,  
Montreal, Que.

My dear Sir Arthur:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your favor of the 24th inst., in reference to the grant to the Normal School at Macdonald College.

I have today written to Hon. Mr. David in reference thereto, and will advise you just as soon as I have heard from him. I do not understand what Dr. Parmelee means when he says that he thinks it will not be paid. However, I will let you know as soon as I have any definite word.

Yours very truly,



WGM:AJ

Department of Education  
Quebec, P. Q.

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FRENCH SECRETARY AND  
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March 26th, 1928

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

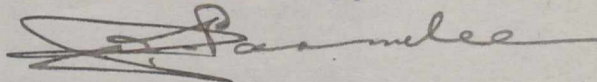
Dear Sir Arthur:-

In reply to your letter of March 24th,  
I regret to say that I cannot now give any trustworthy  
information in regard to the non-payment of the grant  
of \$25,000 which you expect towards the expense of con-  
ducting the School for Teachers of Macdonald College.

However, the Honourable Mr. Nicol has  
told me that he will be in Quebec nearly all of next  
week and I have, accordingly, made appointments with him  
to discuss various questions, and the one which you raise  
will be submitted at that time, and you will hear from  
me again in due course.

I can say at once, however, that this  
Department has not received any orders upon which it  
would have the right to make the payment in question.

Yours faithfully,



Director of Protestant Education

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Quebec,

Quebec, March 26th, 1928.

March 27th, 1928.

Dr. G. W. Parmelee,  
Director of Protestant Education,  
Department of Education,  
The Honourable W. G. Mitchell, K.C.,  
190 St. James Street,  
Montreal, P.Q.

Dear Mr. Mitchell:

I think perhaps the best reply to your letter of the 26th will be the enclosed copy of a letter which I received yesterday from Sir Arthur Currie and a copy of my reply thereto which I sent to him yesterday.

Plainly, Sir Arthur is under a misapprehension as to what I told him on Friday last when the matter of the \$25,000 grant was mentioned casually. At that time I said that provision had not been made in the Provincial Budget this year for the payment.

Yours faithfully,

(Signed) Dr. G. W. Parmelee,

Director of Protestant Education.

P.S.

I have no reason to suppose that delay in making payments can be understood as repudiation of promises.

G. W. P.

C O P Y

Montreal, March 26th, 1928.

Dr. G. W. Parmelee,  
Director of Protestant Education,  
Department of Education,  
Quebec, P.Q.

Dear Dr. Parmelee:

I enclose herewith copy of letter  
that I have today received from Sir Arthur Currie.  
You will note that he says you had informed him that  
you do not think that the grant will be paid. I  
would appreciate it if you would kindly let me know  
the reason why you are of this opinion, in order  
that I may know if there is any use of my taking the  
matter up further with the Government.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) W. G. Mitchell.

December 10, 1928.

The Honourable C.A. Lanctot, K.C.,  
Hotel du Gouvernement,  
Quebec.

Dear Mr. Lanctot:-

After seeing you in Quebec last Tuesday I was fortunate enough to see the Honourable Mr. Nicol and find from him that there is at present no legal snag in the way of the payment of our grant.

It may be that we shall have to call upon you later and if the necessity arises I shall certainly avail myself of your kind offer.

Yours faithfully,

Wilfrid Bovey.

Director.



QUEBEC, P.Q., Jan. 30th., 1933.

Col. Wilfrid Bovey, M.A., B.C.L., O.B.E.,  
McGill University,  
Montreal, P.Q.

RE: Item \$2000.- School of Household  
Science

Dear Wilfrid,

Cheque for this item is going forward to-day.

I am proceeding by clearing up the older  
accounts first.

Sincerely yours,

RFS/JDG

Provincial Treasurer.

# MACDONALD COLLEGE

McGILL UNIVERSITY

RAILWAY STATIONS AND EXPRESS:

STE. ANNE DE BELLEVUE, QUE.

POST OFFICE:

MACDONALD COLLEGE, QUE., CANADA

FACULTY OF AGRICULTURE  
OFFICE OF THE DEAN

August 16th, 1933.

Sir Arthur W. Currie, G.C.M.G.,  
Principal,  
McGill University,  
Montreal, Que.

Dear Sir Arthur:-

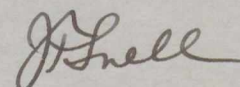
I have just had a call from a Mr. Gregoire of Sherbrooke, an architect, who said he had been asked (by the Proprietor of the Sherbrooke Record if I understood him aright), to draw plans for an agricultural school to be built at Sherbrooke at a cost of \$150,000.00. Mr. Gregoire was shown some of our class-rooms and laboratories, after which he went on to Oka. I suggested to him that he might also visit the school at St. Martine, recently built (I understand) at the instance of the Provincial Department of Agriculture.

Mr. Gregoire stated that the proposed school at Sherbrooke would have no connection with the Department of Agriculture, that he was not informed as to the source of the project or the amount of money available for other purposes than building.

It would appear to me that if any person has money to devote to the cause of Agricultural Education, particularly for the English speaking people of the Province, it might be spent to better advantage than in establishing another agricultural school.

I am sorry I have so little information about the project. Perhaps something further might be learned from the proprietor of the Sherbrooke Record.

Faithfully yours,



Acting Dean.

JFS/HB





MCGILL UNIVERSITY

29th August 1933.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRINCIPAL.

No approval has so far been given for an agricultural school in Sherbrooke. Gregoire is the head of the Technical and Industrial School there and is probably trying to organize something.

As soon as anything else develops I will let you know.

Wilfrid Bovey.

MACDONALD COLLEGE

McGILL UNIVERSITY

RAILWAY STATIONS AND EXPRESS;  
STE. ANNE DE BELLEVUE, QUE.

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March 25, 1933.

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

Dear Sir Arthur,

Some little time ago, when I presented to you the budget for the expenditure of the Quebec Government Auxiliary Grant, you raised the question as to where a record of this grant was shown in our Annual Statement.

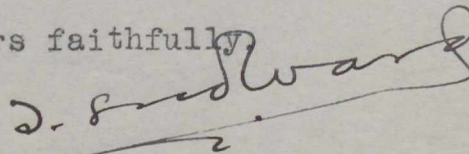
I pointed out to you at that time that this fund was included in what is known as our 202 Account, which is the Funded and Restricted Accounts, - in other words, revenue earmarked for special purposes.

In order that you may see how this item appears in our records, I have prepared a statement of the funded accounts as they appear in our records for the last two years.

In accordance with your request, through Mr. Bentley, I have arranged to present auxiliary statements with our regular financial report at the end of each ensuing year, including the present one.

If there is any further information you require in this connection, I shall be glad to get it for you as promptly as possible.

Yours faithfully,



T. FRED. WARD,  
Bursar.

TFW/VJ

MACDONALD COLLEGE

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

FUNDED AND RESTRICTED ACCOUNTS

Name of Fund	Balance July 1, 1931	Income for Year	Total Credits	Expenses for Year	Balance June 30, 1932
<b>Bursaries:-</b>					
School for Teachers	50.00	1900.00	1950.00	1900.00	50.00
Household Science	-	150.00	150.00	150.00	-
I.O.D.E.	100.00	-	100.00	100.00	-
J.M.Robb	5.00	120.00	125.00	120.00	5.00
<b>Scholarships:-</b>					
T. Eaton Co.	-	225.00	225.00	150.00	75.00
Agricultural Alumni	-	400.00	400.00	400.00	-
Frederica Campbell	-	50.00	50.00	50.00	-
Fisher Trust	-	250.00	250.00	250.00	-
Leonard Foundation	-	300.00	300.00	300.00	-
<b>Prizes:-</b>					
High School	-	90.00	90.00	-	90.00
Alpha Omega	10.00	5.00	15.00	5.00	10.00
Baie D'Urfe	25.00	-	25.00	-	25.00
Bishop of Montreal	2.50 Dr.	10.00	7.50	17.50	10.00 Dr.
Hon. Geo. Bryson	20.00	-	20.00	-	20.00
W. S. Bullock	10.00	10.00	20.00	20.00	-
A. K. Cameron	-	20.00	20.00	20.00	-
Coteau St. Pierre	10.00 Dr.	-	10.00	Dr. -	10.00 Dr.
Marcus G. Crombie	10.00	-	10.00	-	10.00
Mrs. J. Dougall	10.00	5.00	15.00	5.00	10.00
P. DuBoyce	10.00 Dr.	-	10.00	Dr. 10.00	20.00 Dr.
Agric. English	7.50	20.00	27.50	11.22	16.28
Dr. M. L. Hersey	20.72	27.50	48.22	15.50	32.72
Garner Kneeland	10.00 Dr.	10.00	-	10.00	10.00 Dr.
W. Lochhead	20.00	-	20.00	19.58	.42
F. J. Longworth	-	50.00	50.00	50.00	-
Hon. W.G. Mitchell	-	-	-	20.00	20.00 Dr.
Montreal Council of Women	50.00	10.00	60.00	-	60.00
Howard Murray	15.00	-	15.00	30.00	15.00 Dr.
A. R. McMaster	-	10.00	10.00	20.00	10.00 Dr.
Hon. Jacob Nicol	-	-	-	15.00	15.00 Dr.
N.D.G. Women's Club	10.00 Dr.	-	10.00	Dr. -	10.00 Dr.
P.W.T. Montreal	10.00	10.00	20.00	20.00	-
P.W.T. Quebec	10.00	10.00	20.00	20.00	-
Dr. S. P. Robins	10.00	25.00	35.00	25.00	10.00
Senneville	25.00	25.00	50.00	-	50.00
Ste. Anne's	-	25.00	25.00	-	25.00
Superintendent of Education	2.43	10.00	12.43	10.00	2.43
Frances Willard W.C.T.U.	10.00	10.00	20.00	20.00	-
J. C. Wilson	35.00	40.00	75.00	40.00	35.00
<b>Research Grants, N.R.C.:-</b>					
Maple Syrup	510.24	-	510.24	510.24	-
Soils, Microbiological	1218.50	-	1218.50	993.54	224.96
Soils, Chemistry	132.97	1500.00	1632.97	1106.98	525.99
Poultry Parasites	22.39 Dr.	2135.00	2112.61	2087.24	25.37
Parasitology	-	-	-	638.06	638.06 Dr.
Provincial Grant	332.00	-	332.00	-	332.00
Que. Govt. Student Grants	-	1395.00	1395.00	1548.00	153.00 Dr.
X Quebec Auxiliary Grant	106.29	29500.00	29606.29	27172.34	2433.95
<b>Miscellaneous:-</b>					
Diploma Alumni	45.73	73.50	119.23	57.75	61.48
Federated Charities	-	208.25	208.25	208.25	-
High School Library	75.03 Dr.	31.75	43.28	Dr. 29.58	72.86 Dr.
Home Economics Club	34.95	-	34.95	-	34.95
A. Neighorn, Books	2.09	-	2.09	-	2.09
W. M. Stewart	669.96	867.55	1537.51	999.59	537.92
W. M. Stewart Library	952.85	1700.00	2652.85	1402.15	1250.70
	4215.02	41228.55	45443.57	40,471.23	4972.34

x Value \$25,000. per annum, years ending 30 June 1931-32, 1933.  
 " \$20,000. " " " 30 June 1934

MACDONALD COLLEGE

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J. M. Robb	5.00	120.00	125.00	120.00	5.00
<b>Scholarships:-</b>					
C.P. Railway	-	150.00	150.00	150.00	-
T. Eaton Company	-	300.00	300.00	300.00	-
Frederica Campbell	-	50.00	50.00	50.00	-
Fisher Trust	-	150.00	150.00	150.00	-
M. F. Martin	-	50.00	50.00	50.00	-
Sherbrooke Rotary Club	-	150.00	150.00	150.00	-
<b>Prizes:-</b>					
Alpha Omega	-	10.00	10.00	-	10.00
Baie D'Urfe	-	25.00	25.00	-	25.00
Bishop of Montreal	-	-	-	2.50	2.50 Dr.
Hon. Geo. Bryson	20.00	-	20.00	-	20.00
W. S. Bullock	-	10.00	10.00	-	10.00
Coteau St. Pierre	10.00 Dr.	-	10.00	Dr.	10.00 Dr.
Marcus G. Crombie	10.00	-	10.00	-	10.00
Mrs. J. Dougall	10.00	-	10.00	-	10.00
P. DuBoyce	10.00 Dr.	10.00	-	10.00	10.00 Dr.
Agric. English	-	20.00	20.00	12.50	7.50
Dr. M. L. Hersey	23.22	-	23.22	2.50	20.72
Garner Kneeland	10.00 Dr.	10.00	-	10.00	10.00 Dr.
W. Lochhead	-	420.00	420.00	400.00	20.00
F. J. Longworth	-	50.00	50.00	50.00	-
Montreal Council of Women	40.00	10.00	50.00	-	50.00
Howard Murray	15.00	-	15.00	-	15.00
Hon. Jacob Nicol	5.00	-	5.00	5.00	-
N.D.G. Women's Club	10.00 Dr.	-	10.00	Dr.	10.00 Dr.
E. Peabody	10.00 Dr.	10.00	-	-	-
P.W.T. Montreal	-	10.00	10.00	-	10.00
P.W.T. Quebec	-	10.00	10.00	-	10.00
Dr. S. P. Robins	-	535.00	535.00	525.00	10.00
Senneville	-	25.00	25.00	-	25.00
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J. C. Wilson	35.00	40.00	75.00	40.00	35.00
<b>Research Grants N.R.C.:-</b>					
Maple Syrup	1577.37	-	1577.37	1067.13	510.24
Soils, Microbiological	1356.58	-	1356.58	138.08	1218.50
Soils, Chemistry	1454.84	97.82	1552.66	1419.69	132.97
Poultry Parasites	20.53 Dr.	940.00	919.47	941.86	22.39 Dr.
Provincial Grant	632.00	-	632.00	300.00	332.00
Que. Govt. Student Grants	-	2214.00	2214.00	2214.00	-
X Quebec Auxiliary Grant	-	20500.00	20500.00	20393.71	106.29
<b>Miscellaneous:-</b>					
Diploma Alumni	33.50	120.00	153.50	107.77	45.73
Federated Charities	-	115.00	115.00	115.00	-
Home Economics Club	-	34.95	34.95	-	34.95
High School Library	-	27.25	27.25	102.28	75.03 Dr.
F. Horner, Books	-	50.00	50.00	50.00	-
A. Neighorn, Books	2.09	-	2.09	-	2.09
W. M. Stewart	604.28	500.00	1104.28	434.32	669.96
W. M. Stewart Library	1247.12	1000.00	2247.12	1294.27	952.85
	7352.90	31234.02	38586.92	34371.90	4215.02

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March 31, 1933.

T. Fred Ward, Esq.,  
Bursar,  
Macdonald College, P. Q.

Dear Mr. Ward,

I have your letter of the 25th, with certain comparative statements of income and expenditure attached. I am glad to have this statement and believe that in some way the total must appear in the Annual Statement of Receipts and Expenditures.

Ever yours faithfully,

Principal

MACDONALD COLLEGE

MCGILL UNIVERSITY

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January 18th, 1933.

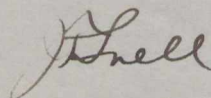
Sir Arthur W. Currie, G.C.M.G., K.C.B.  
Principal,  
McGill University,  
Montreal, Que.

To be brought to Principal  
again when Mr. Ward gives him a  
statement showing how the  
\$25,000 for 1932-33 has  
been appropriated and how it  
is proposed to use the \$25,000  
for 1933-34 now to be applied for

Dear Sir Arthur:

After you had left yesterday  
I had a talk with Dr. Barton about the ad-  
visability of inquiring at Quebec whether we  
could count on the continuation of the  
auxiliary grant of twenty-five thousand  
dollars, which the Department has given  
us for the past two years in addition to  
the regular grant of twenty-five thousand  
dollars. Dr. Barton suggested that you  
should sound out the Department regarding  
this. Mr. Ward has information regarding  
the projects dependent upon this grant, and  
I am asking him to give you such information  
as you may need.

Yours faithfully,



Acting Dean.

JFS/Y

January 20, 1933.

Acting Dean J.F. Snell,  
Faculty of Agriculture,  
Macdonald College, P. Q.

*Grenier*

My dear Professor Snell,

With reference to your letter of January 18th, I may say that my trip to Quebec on January 25th was very satisfactory. At one-thirty the Honorable Mr. Godbout and his Deputy Mr. Grindley, came to lunch with me. We had a two hours' chat, most friendly in every way, and I received the assurance of the Minister and his Deputy that the grants due for 1932-33 and not yet paid would be paid, and that we could count on the same measure of support - namely, \$50,000 - for Macdonald College for 1933-34.

I have confirmed this understanding by writing a follow-up letter to the Minister, saying that in our Macdonald College estimates for 1933-34 we shall count on receiving the total grant of \$50,000 and on proceeding with the various projects of investigation and research undertaken with the approval and encouragement of his Department.

Ever yours faithfully,

Principal

copy to Mr. Ward

# MACDONALD COLLEGE

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MACDONALD COLLEGE, QUE., CANADA

FACULTY OF AGRICULTURE  
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January 31st, 1933.

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

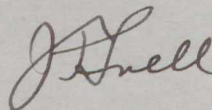
Dear Sir Arthur:

I have your two letters of January 30th.

I am very glad to bear of your success  
at Quebec. It is a great satisfaction to me to know  
that our research projects can go forward.

As suggested in your other letter, I  
am sending copy of the report of the Committee on  
Publications of the Faculty of Agriculture to Dr.  
Lomer.

Yours faithfully,



Acting Dean.

JFS/Y



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MACDONALD COLLEGE, QUE., CANADA

OFFICE OF THE BURSAR

*Quebec Auxiliary Grant  
of 25,000*

January 24, 1933.

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

Dear Sir Arthur,

I submit herewith proposed budget for the expenditure of the Auxiliary Grant of \$25,000.00 which we hope to have renewed for the year ending June 30, 1934.

With the short time at my disposal I have found it difficult to obtain all the details that I should like to have presented to support the estimates outlined in the budget. In some cases I have been compelled to fall back on the programme outlined to the late Hon. Mr. Perron, former Minister of Agriculture, by Dean Barton in 1930.

None of the items appearing in the budget depart in any way from Dean Barton's proposals; these projects outlined by Dean Barton to Mr. Perron met with his approval, and have subsequently been approved by the present minister, Hon. Mr. Godbout, who has renewed the grant for two years.

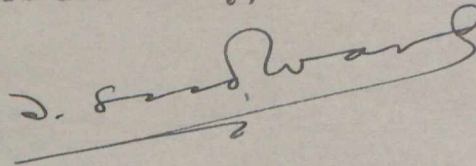
The original grant was made for the year ending June 30, 1931; the second for the year ending June 30, 1932. The money has been received for both of these grants.

The grant for the year ending June 30, 1933, was, I understand, promised verbally to Dean Barton by the present Minister of Agriculture, Mr. Godbout, but I cannot find any confirmation of this in Dean Barton's files; however, when Mr. Godbout and Mr. Grenier were here Mr. Grenier intimated that a cheque for the first payment would be forthcoming in due course. Up to the present we have not received any money on account of our regular grant of \$25,000.00, or the auxiliary grant of \$25,000.00 for the current year. It might be well, when you see Mr. Godbout, to check up on this, as unless the grant is forthcoming we shall, of necessity, have to discontinue the project work, as Macdonald College has no funds to carry on.

The foregoing is written to place the situation as clearly as possible before you.

With regard to the statement presently submitted, I should like to draw to your attention the fact that I have included the extension to the Parasitology Building for experimental animal quarters, \$4,500.00. I have done this because Dean Barton followed the practice of obtaining authority from the Minister of Agriculture, Quebec, for expenditure of part of the grant on this building. We have definite authority from the Department for the expenditure of \$14,000.00 on the existing building, and without showing this item on the statement the present programme would not provide for the expenditure of the total grant.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "T. Fred. Ward", is written over a horizontal line.

T. FRED. WARD,  
Bursar.

TFW/VJ

PROPOSED BUDGET  
FOR THE EXPENDITURE OF THE  
QUEBEC DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
AUXILIARY GRANT OF \$25,000.00 TO MACDONALD COLLEGE  
FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30TH JUNE, 1934.

PROJECT	Estimated Expenditure
Soil Fertility	2,500.00
Pasture	5,595.00
Feeding experiments	2,500.00
Vegetable	3,500.00
Animal and Poultry Diseases	3,200.00
Farm Economics	2,500.00
Miscellaneous	705.00
Extension to Parasitology Building for Experimental Animal Quarters	4,500.00
	\$25,000.00

Approved ..... *J. Snell* .....  
Acting Dean

*D. S. Woodward*  
.....  
Bursar

N.B. The above grant is supplementary to the regular grant of a like amount made annually to Macdonald College by the Department of Agriculture, Quebec.

MACDONALD COLLEGE,  
JANUARY 24, 1933.

ESTIMATED BUDGET FOR SOIL FERTILITY PROJECT

for Year Ending June 1st, 1934:

(1) The work initiated in 1931, being carried on by Mr. Atkinson	.....\$1800.00	.....\$1800.00
(2) The work initiated in 1932 (sodium carbonate and burnt lime studies) being carried on by Mr. Atkinson, and extension of this work to determine its practicability, and to confirm last year's results. To include soil studies and yield studies	.....\$400.00	.....\$ 400.00
(3) Student labour for 5 months, at 27.5¢ an hour, to aid in this work, which is too much for one man to do	.....\$300.00	.....\$ 300.00
		----- \$ 2500.00 -----

Jan. 23, 1933.

R. R. McKibbin  
Chairman, sub-committee

PASTURE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

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SUMMARY

1.	FERTILIZED AND NON-FERTILIZED PERMANENT PASTURES	\$ 325.00
2.	COWANSVILLE PROJECTS	2750.00
3.	NUTRITIONAL STUDIES	1285.00
4.	PERMANENT PASTURE MIXTURES (M.C.)	475.00
5.	OTHER DISTRICTS	600.00
6.	SURVEY	360.00
7.	PUBLICATIONS	800.00
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		\$5595.00
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DETAILS ATTACHED

FERTILIZED AND NON-FERTILIZED PERMANENT PASTURES.

LOCATION - ARTHUR HUNT - BURY, P.Q.

1. Control of Stock	\$	50.00	
2. Travelling		200.00	
3. Fertilizer		<u>75.00</u>	\$325.00

COWANSVILLE PROJECTS

Personnel:

Two graduate assistants - salary	1440.00	
Board allowance in field	<u>100.00</u>	1540.00

Equipment:

Cages - (75 replacements)	110.00	
Fertilizer - (25 acres)	250.00	
Miscellaneous	50.00	
Supplies at College for analyses, etc.	<u>250.00</u>	660.00

Transportation:

Use of car in district @ \$1.00 per weekday	150.00	
Travel to and from Cowansville	25.00	
Supervision expenses	250.00	
Miscellaneous - cargage, express, supplies	75.00	
Expressing material to College	<u>50.00</u>	<u>550.00</u> \$2750.00

NUTRITIONAL STUDIES

Personnel:

Graduate Assistant	<u>720.00</u>	720.00
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Equipment:

Cages and Feeders (6)	165.00	
Feeding Stuffs (purified)	150.00	
Miscellaneous	50.00	
Fencing Material	<u>50.00</u>	415.00

Transportation:

Travel and accommodation in field	<u>150.00</u>	<u>150.00</u>	\$1285.00
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PERMANENT PASTURE MIXTURES (MACDONALD COLLEGE)

1. Preparation of Land	200.00	
2. Fertilizers	75.00	
3. Seed	<u>200.00</u>	\$475.00

OTHER DISTRICTS

Last Fall Dr. Barton and Raymond looked over the Huntingdon district with a view to starting some pasture work there.

To accomplish this will require no additional personnel but will involve expenditure for equipment and transportation.

We estimate this at ...	<u>600.00</u>	\$600.00
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SURVEY

It seems advisable to continue the Survey work.

An allowance similar to last year should prove satisfactory.

This amount was ... \$360.00 \$360.00

PUBLICATIONS

Two Bulletins at \$400.00 ... \$800.00 \$800.00



ESTIMATED BUDGET FOR FEEDING PROJECT  
PIGS AND DAIRY CATTLE  
DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY 1933-4

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Technician	\$1,200.00
Renewals and Repairs to special equipment for Experimental feeding -	
Dairy Cattle stable	350.00
Piggery	400.00
Office Supplies -	
Special data forms, tags, etc.	65.00
Maintenance of Munroe Calculator	35.00
Publications -	
2 bulletins - (24 pages each)	400.00
Reprints of Articles (In lieu of separate publication of experimental studies)	<u>50.00</u>
	\$ 2500.00

Note - The above estimates do not cover costs of feeds necessary for the comparative feeding trials, this item being cared for out of the department's regular feed budget.

GENERAL OUTLINE OF EXPERIMENTAL WORK FOR YEAR 1933-1934

ANIMAL HUSBANDRY DEPARTMENT

(Other than that included with Plans of the Pasture  
Committee)

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1. DAIRY CATTLE:

- i. At least one feeding trial to study feeding values of specific feeds or feed combinations. Probably a study of the protein requirements for milk production.
- ii. Continuation of our study of the relation of nutrition to breeding troubles.
- iii. A comparison of pasturized vs unpasturized milk for calves and its later effect on production and breeding.

2. SWINE:

- i. Continuation of the study of Experimental Methods in Nutrition Studies and Individual vs Group Feeding.
- ii. Protein-Mineral-Vitamin supplements for swine feeding. This is a continuation of a project now completing its third year.
- iii. Bald vs Common Barley for market pigs.
- iv. Protein requirements of growing fattening swine (a) when full fed and (b) when under a plan of limited feeding.

3. RESEARCH ON METHODS OF INVESTIGATION:

Methods of statistical analysis applicable to comparative feeding trials.

VEGETABLES:

Part time salary	\$1,500.00	
Labour, etc.	<u>2,000.00</u>	\$3,500.00

The need for good vegetables and better varieties is a pressing one. This field has been entirely neglected. Quebec imports canned vegetables of all kinds and pays more money for them than our goods will command. Seed and variety constitutes one of the important explanations. There is urgent need for work in this field and we propose to give it special attention.

ANIMAL AND POULTRY DISEASES

Facilities and special assistance in  
veterinary and poultry work.

Salary	1516.66	
Labour and Materials	<u>1483.34</u>	\$3,000.00

Macdonald College Service to poultry breeders  
and live stock men in many parts of Quebec is  
well known. This work has been done by one  
man with no help and limited facilities.  
Applications for advice simply pour into this  
lab and we cannot continue to meet the demand  
on our present basis.

FARM ECONOMICS:

\$2,500.00

Studies in farm practice to determine best and poorest methods.

Dr. Lattimer has been studying farm conditions in the Eastern Townships. We want to continue and extend this work to other parts. Many of the farmer's difficulties in management have to be studied individually and this we propose to do. We are also anxious to learn the profitability of district practices, such as beef cattle farming and cream production farming.

January 26th, 1933.

Hon. Adelard Godbout,  
Minister of Agriculture,  
QUEBEC, P.Q.

Dear Mr. Minister:-

May I express my appreciation  
of the sympathetic attitude shown by yourself and  
your Deputy, Mr. Grenier, during our interview  
yesterday.

Following on our conversation, we shall,  
in our Macdonald College estimates for 1933-1934,  
count on receiving the total grant of \$50,000, and  
on proceeding with the various projects of investigation  
and research undertaken with the approval and encouragement  
of your Department.

Believe me, dear Mr. Minister,

Yours faithfully,

Principal.



DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
PROVINCE OF QUEBEC  
MINISTERS OFFICE

1933 negotiations -  
Grant cut to \$45,000

To  
The  
Hon. Bentley  
Please note return

Quebec, February 7th, 1933.

Sir Arthur-W. Currie, G.C.M.G., K.C.B.,  
Principal and Vice-Chancellor,  
McGill University,  
Montreal.

Dear Sir Arthur Currie,

A slight indisposition has prevented me to answer sooner your letter of the 26th ultimo.

I would feel very sorry that this letter should disappoint you. When you asked us if you could count on the \$50,000.00 grant which has been paid to MacDonald College since a few years, I was under the impression that you meant only the present fiscal year 1932-1933. As the appropriations were already voted for this year, I therefore had no hesitation in telling you that you would receive the same amount.

I could have told you, at the same time, that I was hoping you would receive the same grant in 1933-1934. But, owing to the considerable decrease in the Revenues of the Province, we were therefore obliged to cut down our estimates for the Agricultural Schools and, for 1933-1934, it has been decided to reduce by \$5,000.00 the grant to MacDonald College, meaning to say that we do hope to maintain same at the amount of \$45,000.00. I shall be more able to give you a definite answer in a few days.

I hope that the lowering in the cost of living will permit you to continue the wonderful work which you have carried out at MacDonald for the agricultural education. Allow me, Sir, to personally thank you on behalf of the agricultural community of our Province for same.

Yours respectfully,

*W. A. R. Bennett*

February 9, 1933.

Honourable A. Godbout,  
Minister of Agriculture,  
Department of Agriculture,  
Quebec, P. Q.

Dear Mr. Godbout,

I have your letter of the 7th, with reference to the grants to Macdonald College. I am sorry that you have found it necessary to reduce the grant to Macdonald College for the year 1933-34 by \$5,000, but, of course, I can well appreciate the reason, and can sympathize with you, in that you are not able to do all the things you wish to do for agriculture in this Province.

Nevertheless, we shall continue the special investigational work in soil, pasture, vegetables, plant diseases, animal and poultry diseases, drainage, feeding, etc. that has been made possible owing to your support.

I hope that you have fully recovered from your indisposition and that you will be able to get your estimates through the House without undue delay.

Ever yours faithfully,

Principal.



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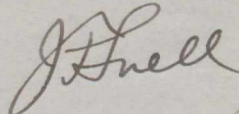
February 13th, 1933.

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

Dear Sir Arthur:

This is to acknowledge receipt  
of your letter of February 9th, enclosing copy  
of the Hon. Mr. Godbout's letter of February 7th.  
We will revise our budget for projects accordingly.

Yours faithfully,



Acting Dean.

JFS/Y

*Have you [unclear] [unclear]!*

February 9th, 1933.

Professor J. F. Snell,  
Acting Dean,  
Faculty of Agriculture,  
Macdonald College, P. Q.

My dear Professor Snell,

Attached herewith is a copy of a letter  
received from Mr. Godbout. Please be guided accordingly  
in your appropriations for special investigational work.

Ever yours faithfully,

Principal.

Auxiliary Grant, Department of Agriculture, Quebec, P.Q.  
Statement of Expenditure from July 1, 1930, to June 30, 1933.

	<u>1930-31</u>	<u>1931-32</u>	<u>1932-33</u> (Estimated)
<b>Extension Projects:-</b>			
Soil )		2,833.42	2,200.00
Pasture )		2,835.16	4,370.50
Vegetables )		1,500.00	1,500.00
Plant Disease Garden )		13.56	191.52
Animal & Poultry Diseases )	4,697.81	1,516.66	1,516.00
Land Drainage )		-	29.21
<b>Feeding:-</b>			
Pigs & Dairy Cattle )		1,200.00	1,734.50
Miscellaneous )		1,541.21	56.85
Greenhouse	15,695.90	-	-
<b>Institute of Parasitology:-</b>			
Building	-	14,000.00	3,457.39
Furniture		-	2,047.50
	<hr/> 20,393.71	<hr/> 25,440.01	<hr/> 17,103.47

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April 21st, 1933.

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

Dear Sir Arthur:-

I think it desirable to explain to you that the proposal made by Mr. Ward yesterday regarding the use of a part of the unexpended balance of the Quebec grant towards Dr. Lattimer's salary was as new to me as to you.

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In spite of the precedent in the case of Professor Murray, I think we should avoid charging any part of salaries of the regular teaching staff to the Quebec grant and that the unexpended balance should be reserved as far as possible so that in case of sudden discontinuance of the grant, we should be in position to close out the research projects in an orderly manner, thus avoiding possible waste of results and embarrassment of assistants employed under the grant.

As mentioned to you in conversation yesterday, I have accepted an invitation to attend the Closing Exercises of the Nova Scotia College of Agriculture on Wednesday, April 26th. I shall leave Ste. Annes on Monday evening and hope to be back on Friday.

Faithfully yours,

*J. D. Bell*

Acting Dean, Faculty of Agriculture.

JFS/HB

November 9th, 1932.

Hon. Adelard Godbout,  
Minister of Agriculture, Province of Quebec,  
QUEBEC, P.Q.

My dear Mr. Minister:-

You are, of course, aware of the change that has come about at Macdonald College. Dean Barton, after a long term of service during which he did much, not only for the college, but for agriculture in the Province, has gone to-day to Ottawa to assume the position of Deputy Minister of Agriculture.

When I was made aware of the negotiations tending towards his appointment I gave my consent at once, for I felt that in the end and taking the long view of our requirements, Dean Barton could render more service to the country at Ottawa than at Macdonald.

I am now busily engaged in seeking a successor, and am making every possible effort to find a man who will lead wisely the staff and students of the college, will make a contribution to that rehabilitation of rural life which must ever be one of our main aims, and will at the same time carry on and direct those agricultural reseraches, the importance of which is becoming more and more evident.

I feel that your own attitude has helped very materially in the pleasant relations which have grown up between Macdonald College and your Department. I am sure that Dean Barton's own personality helped to cement the connection and I am most anxious that, whoever we appoint, this cooperation which I believe to be so valuable to the Province will continue.

You know, of course, that the Institute of Parasitology has now been completed for some time, that Dr. Cameron is here, is carrying on work actively and that all concerned regard the development as one of the greatest value.

I am most anxious that you should make a visit to Macdonald at the earliest opportunity in your official capacity. I do not wish to impose a ceremony on you, but I do feel that an official visit is desirable. I would like to conduct you myself through the institute in which we are all so interested. Will you, therefore, be kind enough to let me know when you will be in Montreal and will be able to come to Macdonald with me.

Believe me, dear Mr. Minister, .

Yours faithfully,

Principal.

November 24, 1932.

M. Adelard Godbout,  
Minister of Agriculture,  
Department of Agriculture,  
Quebec, P. Q.

May I once more express my appreciation of the evidence of your interest in agricultural problems disclosed by your visit to Macdonald College. I assure you that the members of the staff were delighted to have this personal talk with you and your Deputy and I am sure nothing but good will result from your visit. It was a great pleasure to me to meet you and I hope that I shall often have that good fortune in the future.

Ever yours faithfully,

Principal.



DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
PROVINCE OF QUEBEC  
MINISTERS OFFICE

Quebec, December 1st, 1932.

Sir Arthur-W. Currie, G.C.M.G., K.C.B.,  
Principal and Vice-Chancellor,  
McGill University,  
Montreal.

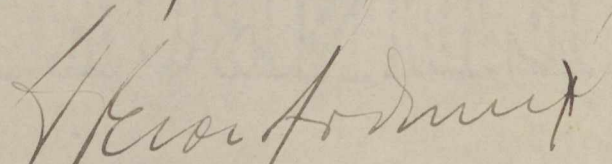
Dear Sir Arthur Currie,

I have received your letter and also a copy of the Annual Report of your University for the past session. I was indeed highly interested in those sections of your report dealing with agricultural matters and MacDonald College.

Allow me to thank you for that kind attention from your part, and also for your good words of appreciation about my visit to MacDonald. May I reciprocate you my most sincere thanks for your hearty welcome.

With best regards, believe me  
always,

Yours sincerely,

  
Adélard Godbout.



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*Increased grant  
for seed farm*

September 22nd, 1931.

Sir Arthur W. Currie, G.C.M.G., K.C.B.  
Principal & Vice-Chancellor,  
McGill University,  
Montreal, Que.

Dear Sir Arthur:

In compliance with your request for a memorandum regarding the Seed Farm and Increased Grant from the Quebec Department of Agriculture for students, I am submitting the following:

The Provincial Minister of Agriculture, Hon. J.A. Godbout, has approved the proposal to establish an Elite Stock Seed Farm at Macdonald College. This is for the purpose of producing a supply of elite stock seed of any special strains or varieties that may be developed at Macdonald College or elsewhere, in order that a sufficient quantity of the seed may be obtained for further multiplication on selected farms and finally distributed to farmers. The propagation of elite stock seed has to be done under careful technical supervision. The Agronomy Department has undertaken this for the Quebec Government in the past on a small scale but the work has to be expanded and a better organization effected to meet the need. It is felt that Macdonald College is the logical place to develop it. Under the proposed plan the college farm known as the Ste. Marie Farm will be largely devoted to this purpose. The Government will supply the equipment, pay the cost of operation, allow a rental for the land and receive the pure seed produced. The whole question of seed supply is of vital importance to the province and it is believed the proposed organization will be far-reaching in the improvement that will result. Quebec will then be on a basis of seed propagation and supply, comparable with the best in other countries. The arrangements are not yet complete so no announcement has been made.

Through a new arrangement with the Minister of Agriculture, the provincial department will now grant \$18.00 a month instead of \$9.00 a month to Quebec students who take the Diploma Course at Macdonald College. This will make it possible for students to take this course which Macdonald gives with free tuition at a cost of \$20.00 per month for both their living and

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Sir Arthur W. Currie -

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education. This should be of great assistance to farm boys.

I am glad to say that the prospect for students in the Degree Course this year seems very good. To date, some 22 students have been accepted for the first year, which is the largest number in some time, and applications have been received from students who have taken work at other universities to enter the second, third and fourth years at Macdonald.

Yours faithfully,

*H. Darbois*

Dean.

HB/Y

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AM INFORMED EXTRA GRANT OF HALF MILLION<sup>IS</sup> TO BE YEARLY

MACDONALD SHOULD RECEIVE FULL SHARE

H B EARTON

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*1930 negotiations  
for increased grant  
50,000 out of the 500,000*

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QUÉBEC February 28th. 1930

Colonel Wilfrid Bovey ,  
McGill University ,  
Montreal.

My dear Colonel Bovey:-

I had a long interview with the Deputy-Minister of Agriculture this afternoon.

He explained to me that twelve years ago the Department of Agriculture of the Province of Quebec decided to send graduates of the Agricultural School of Quebec to Europe, that is to France, in order to take Post Graduate Courses.

Two years after, they sent some to Cornell. At that time, McDonald College was not fully equiped to meet the requirements. They gradually stopped sending them to France, because conditions were different and they sent them to Cornell and to Iowa where the results have been very satisfactory.

Feb. 1930  
Re Quebec Graduates Speech

COLONEL BOVEY:

Re the concluding remarks as to  
welcoming French-speaking students  
at Macdonald:

He put this in because he heard  
that the Dept. of Agriculture of  
the province sent nine French Canadian  
students to Cornell with scholarships  
because somewhere they heard the work  
could not be done at Macdonald.

Col. B. asked Mr. Savard in Quebec to  
get the whole information and Mr. Savard  
will although he thinks it is not true  
because the Secretary, Mr. Savoie, is  
one of our own graduates and most friend-  
ly to McGill. However, Mr. Savard will  
tell you all about it when you get  
there, and as Premier Taschereau is  
going to invite you in for a cocktail  
you will have an opportunity to speak  
to him about it, if you find it is true.

There are actually six bursars sent by the Department, one is in France studying "genie rurale", four are in Cornell studying "economie rurale", and one is at McDonald College studying entomology.

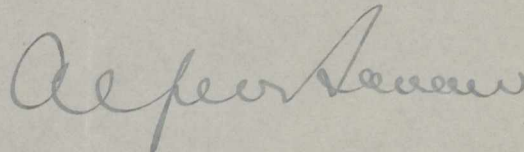
Mr. Barton and Mr. Grenier, the deputy-Minister, have met often and discussed the matter. Mr. Barton admits that McDonald College, although it is the best college in the Province of Quebec, is not yet fully equipped to meet the requirements required. Mr. Grenier assured me, that nobody advised them against sending these boys to McDonald College.

He seems to be under the impression that McDonald College is not treated like the rest of other faculties of McGill, in the sense, that they are not endowed as liberally.

Mr. Grenier will be only too glad to discuss the matter with you and do every thing he can towards McDonald College.

Yours very truly,

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March Sixth,  
1930.

Honourable J. L. Perron, K.C.,  
Minister of Agriculture,  
Department of Agriculture,  
Quebec, P.Q.

My dear Mr. Perron,

I should like to put on record with you in a more formal way the views which I expressed concerning our Faculty of Agriculture, at the recent meeting of our graduates in Quebec under the Chairmanship of the Premier.

Three years ago we established a consultative committee of practical farmers, who report direct to the Governors of the University, and we are much indebted to this committee for its advice.

We have improved the "diploma course" which is intended for the young man actually engaged in farming and is a highly practical course. We are anxious that the fullest advantage should be taken of it, but we find that even the small expense involved is a considerable obstacle to the prospective student.

We are carrying on researches of direct practical value. You are doubtless aware of them, so I will merely note that members of our staff developed the "Banner 44 H.C." oat, which adds 3 bushels per acre to our possible production in the province of Quebec; that they are engaged in studying

the parasite danger now causing such terrible losses among swine and sheep in the province; the problem caused by the "constipated" condition of soils; and other questions of high importance, the solution of which may be of incalculable financial value. I may say that we do not for a moment regard any of this work as limited to English-speaking students. The more French-speaking students engage in research with us, the more we shall be pleased.

You know, also, I have no doubt, that we are carrying on a great deal of extension work, meeting the farmer on his own farm and discussing his special problems with him.

We are about to appoint a professor of Genetics and Cytology, and have been fortunate in obtaining the services of Dr. C. Leonard Huskins, a graduate of Alberta and London, the best available expert in the subject and one who is already known for his successful work in the production of improved grains. We are also about to appoint a professor of Plant Pathology. There is no doubt that both our Agricultural and Scientific staff will be very much strengthened by these appointments.- This information is still confidential and has not so far been given to the press.

Dean Barton and his staff have always been on the best of terms with your department and Mr. Grenier has always co-operated with us in the most pleasant manner. I wish to emphasize the fact that the Governors of the University, especially Mr. Beatty and myself, are as deeply interested in the Department of Agriculture as in any other part of university work. We are most anxious that the Faculty of Agriculture should co-operate to the utmost extent in agricultural development, and have given evidence of this by the important appointments just made.

We hope that the Provincial Government will do its part by contributing even more largely than in the past to the work done



at Macdonald College in research and in the training of practical farmers, as well as the extension work in the Province. We therefore earnestly support the request which Dean Barton has already made that in addition to our present grants we be granted \$50,000 out of the \$600,000 to be allocated to agricultural education. I assure you that we shall do all in our power to make the best possible use of the subvention.

Ever yours faithfully,

Principal.



DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
PROVINCE OF QUEBEC  
MINISTER'S OFFICE

Quebec, March 11th, 1930.

Sir Arthur-W. Currie, G.C.M.G., K.C.B.,  
Principal and Vice-Chancellor,  
McGill University,  
Montreal.

Dear Sir Arthur,

I have yours of the 6th instant  
which I have carefully noted.

Yours sincerely,

*A. L. Brown*  
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March 13th, 1930.

Honourable A. R. McMaster,  
Provincial Treasurer,  
Quebec.

Dear Mr. McMaster,

I am attaching herewith a copy of a letter I wrote to the Honourable Mr. Perron on March 6th. In that you will note that I very definitely asked that out of the \$600,000 it was proposed to grant in aid of the agricultural industry Macdonald College should receive \$50,000. Any donation of a less amount to Macdonald College would not recognize the great contribution that college has made to the agricultural industry of this province. Neither would it be a fair distribution to the institutions which serve more particularly the English-speaking residents of the province.

In my address before the McGill Graduates' Society of Quebec City recently, I stressed what Macdonald College had already accomplished, and I outlined research projects now proceeding and to proceed in future, pointing out that investigation was delayed and success postponed because of the inadequacy of the funds at our disposal.

Take, for example, the value of our researches which resulted in the "Banner 44 M.C." oat. That has resulted in a grain that will yield three bushels more per acre. If the 2,000,000 acres planted in oats were planted with this Banner No.44, the yield would be 6,000,000 more than otherwise. Has that not been worth something to this province?

Take, also, our investigations in the soil. I notice that Mr. Perron intends to point out the value of fertilizer. That is quite proper. But how do you know the kind of fertilizer to use unless you know something about the soil which it is intended to fertilize? Most astonishing things have been learned.

It was thought that certain soil in the Eastern Townships lacked organic matter. Instead it was found that just the opposite was the case; that these soils had so much organic matter that they were podsolized or "constipated". We have been the first in Canada to study parasite problems in animals, and this problem vitally concerns the province, for the lack of knowledge upon the matter is costing the province hundreds of thousands of dollars a year. We have done four years' work on the subject, with promising results, but we have not the funds to make more rapid progress.

I may also say to you that Dr. Collip, the eminent scientist and our professor of Biochemistry, who made the great discovery recently, is now devoting more attention to the prevention of abortion in animals. These studies are suggested by the researches which led to his wonderful discovery. Suppose that Collip is successful again. Would that not increase the agricultural wealth of this country many hundreds of thousands of dollars? Does he not deserve encouragement?

I think if an examination were conducted of the contributions which Macdonald College has already made, it would be found that they far surpass those made by other agricultural colleges.

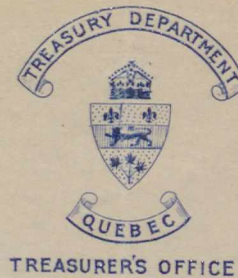
From the report in this morning's GAZETTE it would appear that Mr. Perron proposes to spend \$600,000 to help the two agricultural colleges at Ste. Anne de la Pocatiere and Oka. The report goes on to say that \$500,000 was needed for the establishment of a warehouse in Montreal and that it was proposed to help La Societe Co-operative Federee Des Agriculteurs to the extent of \$750,000. It mentions that there are three agricultural colleges in the province, the third being the one at Ste Anne de Bellevue. But it is only proposed to help the first two.

I am unwilling to believe that this report is true, and as the representative of the Protestant interests we look to you to see that fair play and justice is given. I know that we shall not look to you in vain.

With all good wishes,

I am,  
Ever yours faithfully,

Principal.



TREASURER'S OFFICE

quebec, March 14th, 1930.

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

My Dear Sir Arthur Currie:-

I have your letter of  
the 13th instant together with copy of a letter addressed  
by you to the Honourable Mr. Perron.

I will take the matter up  
with him and see what can be done along the lines you  
desire.

I am,

Yours sincerely,

ARM/AM

*Alvewester*

Hon. Mr. Perron in bringing forward the resolutions on his bill to extend aid to the agricultural colleges, to provide for a cold storage plant at Montreal, and to help La Societe Cooperative Federée Des Agriculteurs, said that the legislation had as purpose the spending of \$600,000 to help the two agricultural colleges at Ste. Anne de la Pocatiere and Oka, that \$500,000 was needed for the establishment of a warehouse at Montreal and that it was proposed to help the society to the extent of \$750,000. There were three colleges in the province, the third one being at Ste. Anne de Bellevue, and of these three, the two which it was proposed to help at the moment needed to effect enlargements and improvements. The intention of the Government was to pay 75 per cent. of the cost of the additional equipment and improvement of the laboratories.

Mr. Houde

March Thirteenth,  
1930

E. W. Beatty, Esq., K.C., LL.D.,  
Chancellor,  
McGill University.

Dear Mr. Beatty,

You will remember that the other day I spoke to you with reference to getting a portion of Perron's grant assigned to Macdonald College.

I am attaching herewith a clipping from this morning's "GAZETTE" which I interpret as meaning that it is not his intention to grant Macdonald College anything at all. Such an action on his part would disclose that he does not recognize the service which the plant at Macdonald can render to the agricultural industry of this Province; and, furthermore, it would be a most unfair distribution of the funds.

I think we should make a very strong protest against the proposed division of funds to aid agriculture. I have written to Perron in detail and received in reply merely a line of acknowledgment saying that he has carefully noted the contents of my letter.

Will you please bring to bear any influence you can?

Ever yours faithfully,

Principal.

April  
Tenth  
1930.

Hon. A. R. McMaster,  
Provincial Treasurer,  
Quebec, P.Q.

PERSONAL

Some time ago while the Session was on I wrote to you asking that you use your influence to see that a portion of the \$600,000. voted by the Provincial Legislature for the encouragement of agricultural education be assigned to Macdonald College. I mentioned the sum of \$50,000., and it seems to me that was not a large proportion.

The Legislature has certainly given the Minister the resources with which to make a fine showing in agricultural development and it seems to me that it would be politically wise for him to use that money where results would be more immediately forthcoming. In that respect I submit that Macdonald College could help him greatly. You know as well as I do that there are many phases of agricultural work and experiment where Macdonald College has led the way in this Province, in fact in most instances where great progress has been achieved the inspiration has come from Macdonald College.

I hope, dear Mr. McMaster, that you will use your great influence to see that the institution which serves more directly the Protestant population will receive just consideration. I may also add that we do not look upon Macdonald College altogether as an institution which serves the Protestant farmers of this Province, but rather do we regard it as an institution for the benefit of agriculture generally in this Province and throughout the Dominion.

Ever yours faithfully,

Principal





TREASURER'S OFFICE

Quebec, P. Q. April 16th., 1930

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

My dear Sir Arthur Currie,

Re; MacDonald College Grant, for  
Agricultural Education

I have your letter of the 10th.  
concerning the above grant. I have already spoken to my  
colleague the Honourable Mr. Perron about the matter and  
I will remind him of your desires when I see him next time.

In the meanwhile I am sending him a copy of  
your letter.

I am,

Yours sincerely.

*W. R. Brewster*



TREASURER'S OFFICE

Quebec, P. Q. May 21st., 1930

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

My dear Sir Arthur Currie,

I duly forwarded a copy of your  
letter to Mr. Perron, the Minister of Agriculture and he writes  
me back to tell me that the matter is under consideration.

I am,

Yours sincerely,

*W. R. Stewart*

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May 21st, 1930.

Honourable Walter Mitchell,  
Messrs. Laflamme, Mitchell and Kearney,  
Insurance Exchange Building,  
M o n t r e a l .

Dear Walter,

The attached memorandum sets forth the story of the grants concerning which we spoke over the phone this morning.

I was wrong when I told you that Mr. McMaster had not answered my last letter. It went to Mr. Glassco's file direct and I did not see it.

The real "nigger in the fence" is Dr. Parmelee - and what is the matter with him I don't know.

Yours faithfully,

Principal.

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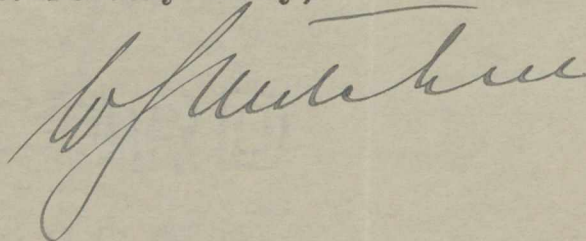
Sir Arthur W. Currie, G.C.M.G., K.C.B.,  
Principal and Vice-Chancellor,  
McGill University,  
Montreal.

My dear Sir Arthur,

I have your letter of the 21st  
instant.

I will take the Dr. Parmelee  
matter up at the very earliest possible  
opportunity and will communicate further  
with you.

Yours very truly,



WGM/PH.

# MACDONALD COLLEGE

RAILWAY STATIONS, EXPRESS AND TELEGRAPH OFFICES:

STE. ANNE DE BELLEVUE, QUE.

POST OFFICE:

MACDONALD COLLEGE, QUE., CANADA.

June 12th, 1929.

Sir Arthur W. Currie, G.C.M.G., K.C.B.,  
Principal and Vice-Chancellor,  
McGill University,  
Montreal, Que.

Dear Sir Arthur:

You will be pleased to know that the Minister of Agriculture of the Province has granted us a thousand dollars to pay the board and room of the farm boys who are expected to attend Farm Boys' Week.

On the last evening of the week, July 5th, we expect to give the boys a little dinner and to invite a few of our interested friends as guests. Naturally we should be delighted to have you with us, and I should like very much to have you see the boys. The Minister should be invited and it has occurred to me that since he has made the grant you might like to write him a word of acknowledgment, in addition to my communication already sent through the Deputy Minister, and to extend the invitation.

Yours faithfully,

*H. Barton*  
per P.Y.

Dean, Faculty of Agriculture.

HB/Y

June 13th, 1929.

Dean H. Barton,  
Faculty of Agriculture,  
Macdonald College, Que.

Dear Dean Barton:-

I am glad to learn by your letter of yesterday that the Minister of Agriculture has granted the College \$1000.00 to pay the board and room of the farm boys who are expected to attend Farm Boys' Week.

I have made a note of the evening of July 5th and will try to attend, although there is a possibility that I may be at my old home in Ontario about that time. If I am in Montreal I shall attend the dinner.

I am today writing a letter to the Minister.

Yours faithfully,

Principal.

June 17th, 1929.

Hon. J. L. Perron,  
Minister of Agriculture,  
Quebec, P.Q.

Dear Mr. Perron:-

I was delighted to receive from Dean Barton this morning an intimation that you, as Minister of Agriculture for the Province of Quebec, have approved of a grant of \$1,000.00 to Macdonald College for the purpose of paying the expenses of board and room accommodation for the farm boys who are expected to attend a Farm Boys' Week. Dean Barton has told me of the splendid success attending this function last year - a success which I believe will be repeated in July.

The Dean also tells me that he has arranged a dinner at the College for the night of July 5th, when the boys will be welcomed. We should indeed be honoured if you could make it possible to be present in your capacity as Minister of Agriculture and as an outstanding citizen who has shewn on so many occasions his profound interest in the welfare of the people of this province. Will you come?

Yours faithfully,

Principal.

# MACDONALD COLLEGE

FACULTY OF AGRICULTURE  
OFFICE OF THE DEAN

RAILWAY STATIONS, EXPRESS AND TELEGRAPH OFFICES  
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POST OFFICE:  
MACDONALD COLLEGE, QUE., CANADA

Copy to Sir Arthur Currie.

April 11th, 1927

Dr. R.F. Ruttan,  
Dean of the Faculty of  
Graduate Studies and Research,  
McGill University,  
Montreal, Que.

Dear Dr. Ruttan:

As you are aware, French Canadian boys have been coming to us for post graduate work. Some of these boys have done very well, while others have not been very successful. Their preparation for some of the work has been inadequate and, of course, they have had the language difficulty to overcome.

Questions having to do with the work have been brought to my attention recently by the Deputy Minister of Agriculture of Quebec, through whose department we receive a number of scholarships and also by Rev. Father Leopold, Head of the Agricultural College at Oka, from which we receive a number of students.

The feeling is, that while there have been difficulties with the work, a good start has been made and that better results can be looked for as preparation is developed. It is agreed also, that Macdonald College is in a position to render Quebec better service in many lines of graduate work in Agriculture than any other institution.

There is need, however, for a clearer understanding of requirements for the work and of allowances, if any, that can be made because of the language. This, I am endeavouring to bring about, not only in the interests of the graduate work itself, but also because it is highly desirable as affecting our relationship with the French Canadian people.

They have definitely raised the matter of language in connection with the thesis and want to know if French students can be permitted to write their theses in French. They understand that this has not been allowed in the past. They point out that English is allowed in the Universite de Montreal and they argue that since French is an official language of the country and a reading knowledge is required for higher degrees, it would seem reasonable that they should be allowed to use it in writing theses.



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I do not find any definite statement on the point in the announcement except that theses must be written in good literary style.

I thought it well to write you for further information and to explain what lies behind the question. I mentioned this matter to Sir Arthur Currie and I am forwarding a copy of this letter to him.

Faithfully yours,

HB/MB.

DEAN

*Grant School for Teachers*

MCGILL UNIVERSITY

MONTREAL

DEPARTMENT OF EXTRA-MURAL RELATIONS

December 6, 1928.

My dear Mr. Minister:-

Although the Government has approved the grant to the School for Teachers at Macdonald College and your letter of April 5th notifies us through Mr. Mitchell that the money will be paid, I cannot help feeling as a result of our recent conversations that you consider we are asking for something to which we are not entitled.

There are two aspects of the matter which I should like to emphasize. First, the point has been made that the agreement of February 26th, 1907, precludes the University from asking further allowances from the Province.

I do not want to labour a question with which you are thoroughly familiar. It may very well be argued that since the agreement only calls for a school to be carried on "according to the present requirements of the Province", we are, strictly speaking, only bound to do now what was necessary in 1907.

I do not think we can get very far by entering upon a legal argument. In the Province of Quebec today, with its almost incalculable possibilities, it is incumbent upon us all to turn our minds to the future and prepare for it as best we can, and I know that your own desire is that all parties should bear a fair share of the general burden.

On this basis it appears to me that the matter might be put somewhat as follows:-

1. Whatever may have happened in the past, the University now finds itself in the position of operating a Protestant Normal School and spending on this work about \$25,000. per annum more than could ever have been contemplated.
2. We are not justified in taking this amount from our capital and we have no income available to meet the need, indeed we are now incurring a yearly deficit.

3. The training of teachers is normally a Government responsibility, although in this case the University must continue to bear its share of the burden it assumed in 1907.

4. In 1925 the Protestant Committee of the Council of Public Instruction approved the grant of \$25,000. to the School.

A second difficulty has been raised. It is stated that the teachers trained at Macdonald are not teaching in the Province of Quebec. This may have been so in the past. We were bound to accept all students who offered themselves for training, but the University has no control over their subsequent employment. It is possible that many of these teachers were unable to obtain positions in Quebec.

We are all looking forward to a great period of prosperity for Quebec,- increasing population and increasing openings for teachers. We must prepare ourselves to meet them and I am confident that the Protestant minority will continue to receive the fair treatment which has always been one of our subjects of pride.

Yours faithfully,

Director.

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