

**FILE 809**

**PRINCIPAL'S RESIDENCE**

**1921 - 1935**

July 5, 1935.

LADY CURRIE'S FURNITURE AND FURNISHINGS --- FOR SALE

Carpets

1 -- Large Domestic Persian - 6 x 9	\$35.00
1 -- Medium " "	25.00
1 -- Small " "	15.00
1 -- Small	15.00
<u>1-- Small</u>	<u>15.00</u>

5 carpets, or rugs, now in the room on 2nd floor with the round ceiling lights, what we used to call the rose room.

Furniture

1 -- Mahogany Settee green figured repp cover	60.00
1 -- Mahogany Chair to match	40.00
1 -- Mahogany Upholstered arm Chair to match	25.00

3 pieces now in Gothic room.

Note: All the other university furniture now in Gothic room which matches this was recovered at Lady Currie's expense in this green figured repp.

Furniture now in Library, 2nd floor:--

1 -- Mahogany Tilt Top (large) table	45.00
1 -- Mahogany tub back arm chair red cover	10.00
1 -- Mahogany high back arm chair red cover	7.50
2 -- Straight back chairs covered in light brown velvet at \$30.00 each	60.00

3--piece wicker and cretonne-covered set - couch,  
2 chairs

3--small serving tables which fit in one under the  
other, -- nest of tables (original cost \$100.)

2-- small tables (next) cheaper quality

1 -- small desk and chair

1 -- pearl-handled Chest of Drawers (mahogany) \$40.00

1 -- Japanese fire screen (small)

3 -- hat racks

6 -- standard lamps (high stands), 4 wrought iron,  
Italian; 1 Egyptian; original cost about \$65  
a pair; 1 odd one;

2 -- table lamps, red velvet bands on brown chiffon  
covers

1 -- table lamp, wide brown metal cover

3 -- other assorted table lamps

1 -- leaf table (small, tea table)

Rose room : 2 -- chesterfield chairs, covered in brown figured  
velvet at \$60.00 each (NB: Lady Currie has  
the cushions & will supply them if sold) 120.00

Elevator 1 -- elevator mat and seat cover

Library: Box of curtains and bedding:

White spreads \$1.00 each

1 rose comforter 2.00

2 small bath mats 1 pink, 1 mauve

1 large blue bath mat

4 small bedroom mats or rugs (carpet)

Sundry curtains (14 small)

Gothic room: Rose carpeting strips, now rolled up in a roll; came from  
ball room, estimated to be 56 yds, but check this. Valued,  
including felt underpadding, -at 25 cents a yard, -\$2.75  
per yd.

Gothic room: (top floor) Billiard table and lighting outfit complete \$500.00  
 Little piano in alcove

Library: 5 -- pairs brown velvet drapes hanging at windows, \$75.00 a pair 225.00

Ball room: Rose-coloured window drapes, 13 windows at \$3.00 35.00

Rose room: 6 mattresses (rolled up)

Library: 1 pair wrought iron fenders and screen

Halls: 9-- pairs green velour curtains, hanging up in front hall, stairway windows back stairs and front stairs, and top hall. 6 long, 3 short. Long \$40, Short \$15. 315.00

The matting for the front door steps. This was bought by Sir Arthur Currie and belonged to them; it was removed by our Works Dept. in the spring. Will the Club buy it? Ask Mr. McFarlane where it is.

Also 1 big door mat.

1 large (long) ladder, left by Lady Currie in the drawing room; ask Mr. McFarlane what has become of this

- 2 -- Phonographs (now in Library), 1 electric.
- 1 -- glass which covers dressing table of McGill's mauve room top floor.
- 3 -- Italian large jars (pottery) (now in Library)

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Mr. Glasco:

Re prices for Currie Furniture:

You will remember about a year or so ago when we made the list then, Lady Currie raised the point that she had recovered most of the McGill furniture, greatly enhancing its value and serviceability.

The valuator was called in by McGill to value our furniture and hers; this was not at that time taken into consideration, and in fact when Lady Currie bought our furniture last year the prices she paid were for the frames merely, and no allowance was made for the recovering she had already paid for. So that in any transactions now can this point

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be borne in mind? For instance, as noted on list, a great deal of the university furniture now in Gothic room was recovered at the Currie expense.

She doesn't really ask any rebate for this, but when one of the men at the house the other day passed one of these recovered couches he said he "wouldn't give \$10.00" for it. The couch in question was one which she had had entirely rebuilt and reupholstered and is really quite a valuable piece of furniture.

D.M

**DOCKET STARTS:**

McGILL FURNITURE at 3450 McTAVISH STREET

Inventory Taken January 17, 1936, by D.Mcm.

1. Basement

1 - Oak Hat Rack

Maid's Room, Basement

1 - Bureau

1 - Wardrobe

1 - Enamel Bed and Spring

1 - Oak Table

2 - Cane Chairs

Maid's Room, Basement (Betty)

1 - Bureau

1 - Wardrobe

1 - Bed and Spring

2 - Cane Chairs

Maid's Room, Basement (Susan)

1 - Bureau

1 - Wardrobe

1 - Table

2 - Cane Chairs

1 - Bed and Spring

Maid's Room, Basement

1 - Bureau

1 - Wardrobe

1 - Chest of 3 drawers

1 - table

1 - Bed and Spring

1 - Cane Chair

Maid's Room, Basement

1 - Bureau

1 - Bed and Spring

2 - Cane Chairs

Basement

1 - Bureau

1 - Ironing Table

1 - Clothes Basket

1 - Washstand

1 - Kitchen Deal Table

1 - Bathroom Scale

2 Mats, 1 Cotton

*WB*  
*X*  
*marks*  
*furniture*  
*improved*  
*by AWB*



Servants' Dining Hall, Basement

- 1 - Table, Dining
- 1 - Chair, with arms
- 1 - Table
- 1 - Couch
- 1 - Small Table
- 1-Sideboard
- 1 - Blue plush (chesterfield) chair
- Curtains

Maid's Room, Basement

- 1 - Enamel Bed
- 1 - Bureau
- 1 - Chair
- 1 - Couch
- 1 - Wardrobe

Kitchen, Basement.

All the tables in kitchen

- 1 - Clock
- 1 - Gas Range and Stove
- Vegetable bins
- 1 - Table in pantry
- 1 - Refrigerator
- 3 - Baskets (Clothes)

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2. 1st Floor

Kitchen Pantry, back of house

- 1 - Basket
- 1 - Telephone Table
- 1 - Clock
- 1 - Gas Stove (single burner)
- 1 - Gas Warming oven

Back Stairs leading from pantry to 2nd floor

Carpeting

Dining Room

- 1 - large red carpet and 2 pieces
  - 12 - Chairs
  - 2 - Chairs with Arms
  - 1 - Sideboard
  - 1 - Small Serving Table
- ) All have been reupholstered by  
) A.W.Cl in expensive tapestry.

*Rady's  
X May 24.*

1st Floor, continued

Ballroom

- 2 - Settees, double ) All have been repainted by McGill for  
                          ) A.W.C., and by him reupholstered in  
8 - Settees, Smaller ) old rose. X

Sitting Out Corner off Ballroom Stairs

- 1 - Oak Bench, upholstered

Drawing Room nil  
Front Hall-- nil

Gothic Room - 3rd Floor

All the strips of carpet in this room belong to McGill, they  
have all been dyed rose by A.W.C. X

- 1 - Large Chesterfield, reupholstered by A.W.C. X  
1 - Large Chesterfield, reupholstered by A.W.C. Mahogany feet X Lady C. Buy.  
2 - Settees (these from the ballroom originally)  
1 - Card Table (but not the lights attached thereto)  
4 - Arm Chairs  
1 - Arm Chair now covered with tapestry Lady C. Buy  
1 - Book Case, shelves and glass, originally oak, done up  
mahogany by A.W.C.  
1 - High End Empire Chesterfield recovered? no X Lady C. Buy.  
1 - Arm Chair Lady C. Buy.  
1 - Small Couch

Gothic Stairway, Top

- 1 - Settee Built in

Top, 3rd Floor of Gothic Room

- 1 - Small Couch with 1 Arm  
3 - Strips of carpet,  
1 - Mahogany Settee, 2 Arms, small, carved, upholstered green  
& black  
1 - Round Oak Table

Hall, 3rd Floor

- 1 - Library table, Oak, (Writing Table, so-called in our inventory)

Stairs at Back from 2nd to 3rd floor

Carpeting

Front Large Bedroom

- 2 - Twin Beds, Springs and Mattresses  
2 - Arm Chairs, antique, now reupholstered by A.W.C. in mauve X  
1 - Small Straight-Back Chair, ditto X  
1 - Bench, Dressing ditto X  
1 - French Desk (from downstairs)  
1 - Couch or Chaise-Longue, (Settee, so-called in our inventory)

3rd Floor, continued

Front large Bedroom, continued

- 1 - Large Bureau, with large three-sided mirrors
- 1 - small Dressing Table with drawers
- 1 - High Chest of Drawers
- 1 - large rug, now has been dyed mauve by A.W.C.
- 2 - bed side tables with little closets
- 1 - round table

X Lady C. says.

Small Front Bedroom

- 1 - Straight-Back Chair, antique, now reupholstered in mauve by A.W.C. matches those in Front Bedroom this floor X

Back Sitting Room

- 1 - long couch - redone by A.W.C. Lady C. says. X
- 1 - Chestfield chair, arms, rounded front, re- covered by A.W.C. in terra cotta cloth X
- 1 - Rug (formerly in Library)

Small Hall Leading off Back Sitting Room to Bedroom

- 1 - Small oriental Mat

Bedroom

- 1 - Couch, Green stripe upholstery

Back, Suite, Not Used

- 1 - White painted Bed and Spring
- 1 - Carpet in smaller room off this
- 1 - coal fire basket

Stairs at Back from 2nd down to 1st floor pantry

Carpeting

Stairs at Front from 3rd to 2nd floor

Carpeting

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2nd Floor

Back Hall outside Gothic Room

Wide carpeting strips, Turkish

Lady C. says there are also some carpet rolls stored on top floor which they have never used.

Corner Suite, Front

Sitting Room

- 1 - Rose Rug, Large

Bed Room

- 1 - Dressing Bench, with white ~~in~~ legs, reupholstered in rose by A.W.C. X

2nd Floor Continued

Front Hall

3-large Carpet Strips

Cloak Room off Front Hall

1 - rug

Library

1 - Carpet

1 - Poker Table

2 - Wood Boxes

Lady Currie's Boudoir

2 - Small tables, originally was 1 Double Deck Tea Table,  
and made over into two separate tables by A.W.C.  
Lady C. may ask to purchase these from McGill

*Lady C. buy.*  
X

Note: The electric light wall fixtures here belong to A.W.C.

Closet Between Rose Suite and Gothic Room

1 - Small Chair covered mauve, to match those in  
front large bedroom 3rd floor

1 - Coal basket, gas grate, Lady C's Bedroom

X

A.W.C.'s Bedroom

1 - Red Turkish Rep Rug

Forward \$ 2, 257.50

FURNITURE & FIRE IRONS

1 Settee, Green (Library)	60.00
1 Settee, large (Library) <i>Rehmet Library</i>	125.00
1 Writing Table (Library) <i>now in top floor hall</i>	65.00
Settees in Ballroom 88 ft. at \$12.00 per ft. <i>10 settees 2 upstairs</i>	816.00
Stool	12.00
1 Dining Table (Dining Room)	50.00
24 Chairs " " ) at \$12.00 each	288.00
2 Arm Chairs at \$15.00 each	30.00
1 Sideboard (dining room)	125.00
1 Table " "	25.00
1 Long Serving Table "	100.00
1 Oak Coat Rack	55.00
1 Hall Seat	70.00
1 Couch	30.00
1 Arm Chair, Blue (Ball Room)	30.00
1 Arm Chair " " "	40.00
1 pr. Brass Fire Dogs (Grey Room)	15.00
1 Fender	5.00
1 Gas Coal Grate	20.00
1 Mahogany Couch, green, carved feet (Gothic Hall)	100.00
1 Settee 1 Arm	20.00
1 Louis XV Desk with top (French Salon)	150.00
1 Settee	125.00
6 Arm Chairs at \$20.00 each	120.00
1 Centre Table (Library)	85.00
1 Sewing Table	35.00
1 Card Table now in Dining Room	18.00
2 Single beds with spring and mattress at \$90 each	180.00
1 Dressing Table with triple mirror	125.00
1 Commode now in top bedroom	25.00
1 Chesterfield	70.00
2 Bedside tables At \$16.00 each	32.00
1 Dressing Table Bench	12.00
3 Chairs Uphol. seat and back at \$15. each	45.00
2 small chairs at \$12.00 each	24.00
1 Oak Bookcase	35.00
1 Mahogany table now in top floor bedroom	35.00
1 Bed, spring and mattress now in Mrs.B's room	50.00
1 Chest of drawers now in top bedroom	85.00
1 Pantry Table butler's pantry	8.00
1 large zinc top Kitchen Table - kitchen	15.00
1 " " "	10.00
1 small " "	2.00
1 pr. kitchen scales	10.00
1 vegetable pin (pantry off kitchen)	5.00
1 refrigerator "	50.00
1 small kitchen table "	2.00
12 chairs at \$1.50 each	18.00
1 clock (kitchen)	5.00

SERVANTS' HALL BASEMENT

1 Dining Table and Table Leaves	15.00
1 Sideboard and washstand	5.00
1 Centre Table	2.00

forward..... \$5,736.50

FURNITURE, 3450 McTavish Street.

Inventory of furniture purchased by McGill University from Mrs. Baumgarten at the time (1927) the house was purchased from her. This furniture is still in the house. It was purchased for the Principal's use. It now belongs to the University.

RUGS in BALLROOM

1 Turkish Green Rug (Library)	13-6 x 15-0	\$ 150
1 Turkish (corner taken out (Library Hall)	12 x 15	125
1 Hand Tied Red Rug (Dining Room)	16 x 22	250
1 Hand Tied rose Rug (French Salon)	10 x 21	275
1 Turkish Hall Strip (Library Hall)	17-6 x 4-6	25
1 Turkish Back Stair & Hall strip	3-0 x 2-3	5
1 Turkish Back Stair & Hall Strip	36-0 x 2-4	40
1 Turkish Back Stair and Hall Strip	5-0 x 5-0	35
1 Turkish Back Star & Hall Rug	4-0 x 6-0	10
1 Hand Tied Red (Dining Room)	4-0 x 6-0	15
1 Hand Tied Red (Dining Room)		15
1 Hand Tied Green Strip (Upper Gothic Hall)		15
1 Turkish Hall Strip (Back stairs & Hall)		18
1 Turkish Hall Trip (Library Hall)		50
1 Turkish Hall Strip (back stairs & Hall)		35
1 Turkish Hall Strip " " "		100
1 Turkish Hall Strip " " "		20
1 Turkish Hall Strip " " "		75
1 Turkish Strip (Back stair and hall)		2
1 Persian Mahal Rug (top floor living room)		175
1 Axminster Rose Rug (Nursery) <i>Bedroom</i>		125
1 Hand Tied Red Rug (Dressing Rm. 1st floor) <i>AWG. Room</i>		150
1 Small Persian Rug		5
1 Reversible Wool Rug Blue (Bedroom top floor)		5
1 Hand tied green strip (Gothic Hall)		20
1 Turkish Rug (Spare room) <i>Cloak Room</i>		25
1 Hand Tied Green (gothic hall strip)		75
1 " " " <i>dyes</i> " <i>Gothic Hall</i>		75
1 " " " <i>Rose</i> " "		85
1 " " " " " "		75
1 " " " " " "		75

*Bedroom*

1st Floor Bedroom

1 Kazac Rug	<i>Bedroom, Blue Carpet, Bureau</i>	45
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Library 1st floor

1 Persian Rug		15
1 " "		15
1 " " smaller		10

Bedroom

6 Cotton Mats at \$2.25 each	13.50
6 Cotton Mats at \$1.50 each	9.00
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Forward.....\$2, 257.50

*Garners Sitting Room*

- 1 Couch*
- 1 Chair*
- 1 Rug*

*Bedroom Top floor*

- 1 arm Chair*

Forward \$5,736.50

CURTAIN FIXTURES

Doorway and 2 windows	vestibule and hall	15.00
" " 4 windows	drawing room	16.00
11 windows	ball room	35.00
1 large & 3 small "	dining room	3.00
1 Window	main stairway	4.00
3 Windows	hall 1st floor	12.00
3 "	library	12.00
5 " & door	sitting room and bedroom	12.50
Wardrobe	cloak room off sitting room	2.00
1 window	hall at back stairway	3.00
all Windows top floor		12.00

MAID'S ROOM OFF HALL

1 bed and spring	2.50
1 Bureau	4.00
1 Washstand	1.00
1 Centre Table	1.00
Curtains	2.00

MAID'S ROOM (front of house)

1 Bed and spring	5.00
1 Bureau	5.00
1 Arm Chair	1.00
1 Wardrobe	10.00
Curtains	2.00
1 Table	1.50

MAID'S ROOM

1 Bed and spring	5.00
1 Bureau	3.00
1 Table	1.50
Curtains	1.50

MAID'S ROOM

1 Bed and spring	5.00
1 Bureau	5.00
1 Chair	1.00
curtains	1.50

HOUSEMAN'S ROOM

1 Bed and spring	5.00
1 Bureau	5.00
1 Washstand	2.00
curtains	1.50
3 clothes baskets at \$4 each	12.00
1 ironing table	8.00
1 couch - back room 3rd floor	12.00
1 telephone table	3.00
1 doubledeck tea table	45.00
1 mirror for dressing room	15.00
1 mahogany chest of drawers now in boudoir	55.00
1 couch - off ballroom stairs	20.00
1 couch	12.00

\$ 6,117.00

COST OF ELECTRICAL FIXTURES

Purchased by McGill, 1927, (not including cost of installation).

12 brackets, 2nd floor bedrooms		69.00
4 old gold specials, A.W.C.'s dressing room		30.00
1 fixture	do.	17.50
1 bowl and fitter, front door, outside		7.50
15 brackets	Gothic room	101.25
8 torchieres	do	220.00
1 mirror light	A.W.C.'s dressing room	8.50
2 6-light crystals	Drawing room	990.00
2 2-light brackets	do .	200.00
4 special brackets	Dining room	600.00
1 centre fixture	Dining room	350.00
1 special standard	Front hall	200.00
4 brackets	do.	250.00
5 double brackets	French drawing room	68.75
2 double brackets	Marjorie's room	45.00
2 single brackets	" "	37.00
2 single brackets	" "	37.00
3 electrolier lanterns	1st floor hall	45.00
2 lanterns	2nd floor hall	30.00
1 crystal fixture	Centre lights Lady C's room	85.00
1 " "	" "	65.00
1 Lantern	Front porch	12.50

\$3,469.00

Cost of installation, labour, etc.

\$1,876.29

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**DOCKET ENDS:**

**DOCKET STARTS:**

October 14th, 1929.

To the Chief of Police,  
Police Headquarters,  
Montréal, Que.

Dear Sir:-

McTavish Street, where my home is at No. 3450, is becoming a very popular parking place for cars and certainly there is no objection to their being parked on the east side of the street. But very, very often a situation arises in front of my house which results in my being unable to get in or out. The other night I was forced to leave my car standing out until after midnight, because a car was parked right in front of the crossing leading into my garage. This morning I couldn't get the car out for the same reason and there was no possible space in front of the house where one could alight on the sidewalk. The same condition prevailed last Saturday night when I had a dinner party and all my guests were forced to leave their cars in the middle of the street.

Would it be possible for me to have a "No Parking" privilege?

With every appreciation of your courteous consideration of this application, I am,

Yours faithfully,

Principal.



# Montreal Police Department.

## TRAFFIC BUREAU

Permit No. 334

PERMISSION is hereby granted Sir Arthur W. Currie

No. 3450 Street McTavish to have a no parking space  
opposite premises No. 3450 Street McTavish,  
such space to extend 25 feet, and parking of all vehicles  
shall be entirely prohibited at all times opposite the said premises.

The holder, of the present permit shall be entitled to place on the sidewalk, signs indicating the space where parking is prohibited, and on which signs shall be painted the words: "NO PARKING" - By Order of the Chief of Police - and bear also the number of the permit. These signs shall be of a standard type as designated by the Superintendent of Police and the cost of said signs shall be borne by the holder of the permit.

This permit may be revoked at any time by the Superintendent of Police.

*A. Langum*  
Superintendent of Police

Montreal, October 18th 19230



*City Hall*

*Montreal* October 18th 19 29

POLICE DEPARTMENT  
H. LANGEVIN,  
DIRECTOR

Sir Arthur W. Currie, G.C.MG., K.C.B.,  
Principal and Vice-Chancellor,  
McGill University,  
M o n t r e a l . -

My dear Sir:-

Your esteemed letter dated 14th instant  
duly received. In reply I am much pleased to inform you  
that strict instructions have been given to the officers  
on the beat, to keep the approaches of your residence  
clear from any unnecessary parking.

Trusting that this present arrangement  
will meet your entire approval, I remain,

Very truly yours,

DIRECTOR - Police Department.

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October 21st, 1929.

H. Langevin, Esq.,  
Director, Police Department,  
City Hall,  
Montreal, Que.

Dear Director Langevin:-

Thank you very much indeed for your letter of the 18th of October and for your kindness in the instructions given to the officers with reference to keeping the approaches to my residence clear from unnecessary parking.

Yours faithfully,

Principal.

**DOCKET ENDS:**

**DOCKET STARTS:**





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March 13th, 1933.

Sir Arthur W. Currie,  
Principal & Vice-Chancellor,  
McGill University.

Dear Sir Arthur:-

Details of gasoline charges against your personal account is placed before you in answer to your comments.

<u>Date</u>	<u>No. Gals.</u>	<u>Charge to</u>	<u>Signature</u>
Aug. 8, 1932	11	Sir Arthur Currie	G. Currie
" 24, 1932	14	" " "	" "
" 31, 1932	12	" " "	G. Durnford
Sep. 13, 1932	13	" " "	G. Currie
" 17, 1932	13 $\frac{1}{2}$	" " "	G. Currie
" 22, 1932	10 $\frac{1}{2}$	" " "	G. Durnford
Oct. 1, 1932	10	" " "	G. Currie
" 7, 1932	14	" " "	G. Currie
" 14, 1932	6	" " "	G. Currie
" 15, 1932	10	" " "	G. Durnford

Our practice up to December, 1932 was to turn in Garage Gasoline Charge Sheet when filled, to this office which resulted in broken periods.

As an example, the above was billed to you as:-

Aug. 18th to Sept. 8th -	50 gals.	\$13.50
Sept. 9th to Oct. 11th -	48 gals.	12.96
Oct. 12th to Nov. 25th -	16 gals.	4.32

Gas Charge Sheets are now billed monthly.

Respectfully submitted,

P.W. MacFarlane/D.

Superintendent Eng.,  
Buildings & Grounds.

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## **CYCLOGAS.**

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# TEN REASONS FOR USING CYCLOGAS



If you want to avoid knocking in your motor.

If you want a smoother running motor.

If you want power on hills.

If you want satisfaction in driving.

If you want "pep" and a quick get away.

If you want more mileage.

If you want to eliminate carbon.

If you want to save evaporation.

If you want easy starting in cold weather.

If you want to reduce your running cost.

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SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER'S  
DEPARTMENT

July 22nd. 1930.

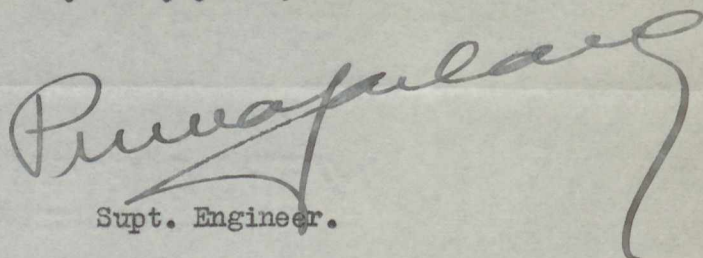
Sir Arthur W. Currie, G.C.M.G., K.C.B.,  
Principal and Vice-Chancellor,  
McGill University.

Dear Sir Arthur:-

I attach circular on the type of gas we use  
in the University Garage, and advise that we have found an error  
of one quart to five gallons in the pump measurement.

When this pump has been put in order, we will  
see that a correction is made in your gasoline charges.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'P.W. MacFarlane', written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping tail.

P.W. MacFarlane.  
B.E.D.

Supt. Engineer.

**DOCKET ENDS:**

**DOCKET STARTS:**

Oct. 15<sup>th</sup> 1932

3438 MCTAVISH STREET  
MONTREAL

Dear Sir Arthur:

I should like  
to put a small Ventil-  
ator grille in my base-  
ment. This would be  
about 12 x 24 inches  
and placed in the wall  
facing your property.  
This would necessitate



The men working on your  
property for a few hours.  
If you have no objections  
to this - would you be  
kind enough to have your  
Secretary telephone me?

Yours very truly,

Lionel Lindsay.

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copy for Mr. MacFarlane

October  
Nineteenth  
1932.

Dr. Lionel Lindsay,  
3438 McTavish Street,  
Montreal.

Dear Dr. Lindsay:

With reference to your note of Sunday and the ventilator grille which you would like to put in in your basement, let me say that our Superintending Engineer has examined the project, the insurance authorities are agreeable and you may take it that the University is agreeable as well.

There is just one thing which I feel I should call attention to at the present time. I understand you burn oil and that there may some times be objectionable fumes - whether that would force us to keep our windows on that side closed I don't know, but if that does arise then we can discuss the matter again. In the meantime, I think we must take a chance.

Ever yours faithfully,

Principal

**DOCKET ENDS:**

**DOCKET STARTS:**

MCGILL UNIVERSITY  
MONTREAL

SUPERINTENDENT ENGINEER'S  
DEPARTMENT

December 29, 1931.

Sir Arthur Currie,  
Principal & Vice-Chancellor,  
McGill University.

Dear Sir:-

We are now prepared to recommend the Humidrad as the most economical method of overcoming the lack of humidity in your house during the heating season.

We attach circular giving description.

It's installation will have to take place on a mild day, as the whole or a section of your heating system will have to be shut down.

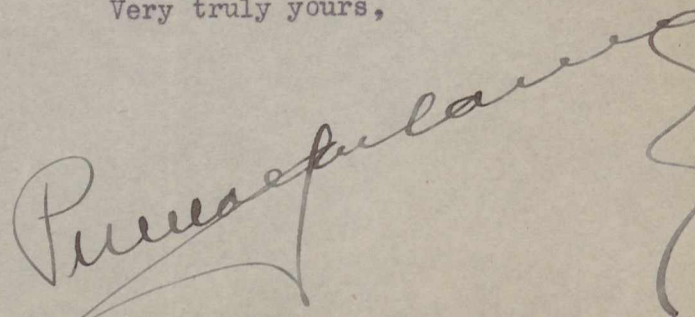
Cost depends upon the size of the house and access to running water and drainage.

The large size evaporates twenty to twenty-two gallons of water daily with building water at one hundred and forty degrees (140°).

Definite estimates for installation will be furnished on request.

Very truly yours,

P. W. MacFarlane:-  
EA/



Superintendent,  
Buildings & Grounds.

ENCL.

ANNOUNCING

*The*

NEW HIGH  
CAPACITY



# HUMIDRAD

AT GREATLY REDUCED PRICES

for automatically supplying refreshing, health-giving, natural humidity to artificially heated air; resulting in better, pleasanter, healthier heating, and lower fuel bills.

**H**UMIDITY is essential to all vegetable and animal life, and like other necessities, such as fresh air, sunshine, warmth, etc., is something that we crave for when absent and enjoy when present. Hence the pleasure of opening the windows in the spring and letting in the highly humidified outside air.



During the winter heating season the air in your home is actually drier than the atmosphere over deserts. This hot, parched air thirsts for moisture. It absorbs water from the skin, hair and delicate membranes of the throat and lungs. It is a contributing cause of such respiratory disorders as colds and influenza. Furniture and woodwork shrink and crack; the pile of carpets and rugs becomes brittle and wears rapidly, filling the air with fine dust so apparent in a sunbeam; flowers and plants wither; pianos become out of tune; in fact, every part of your home is directly affected by the lack of humidity in the air.

The HUMIDRAD brings the pleasant moist air of the seashore and forest to the heated winter home.

TO RESTORE A HEALTHFUL AND COMFORTABLE DEGREE OF HUMIDITY to the atmosphere of your home, efficient humidifying equipment is absolutely necessary. Water pans placed on radiators and other inadequate devices will not do. When you consider that the average home, in the winter months, requires at least 10 gallons of water evaporated every twenty-four hours in order to maintain a healthful degree of humidity in the air, you will realize the importance of suitable equipment. There is one type of humidifying equipment that is absolutely fool-proof, as well as economical and efficient—it is the HUMIDRAD.

### WHAT IS A HUMIDRAD?

The HUMIDRAD (Patents granted and pending) is an improved type of humidifying radiator which automatically supplies health-giving moisture and heat to the air in your home. You simply remove an existing radiator and install the HUMIDRAD. No other changes are necessary. Whether your home is heated by hot water, vapour or steam, the HUMIDRAD is equally efficient. Once it is installed, your worries are over. The HUMIDRAD will supply the proper degree of humidity throughout your home. One HUMIDRAD is sufficient for the average sized house.

### HOW THE HUMIDRAD OPERATES

Installed like a radiator, the HUMIDRAD is connected to the hot water or steam pipes of your heating system.

A special automatic valve supplies the requisite fresh water from the city mains to the high side of the upper heating section. This water flows downhill in a number of minute streams around the top of the highest radiator section. Down one side, back the other, and escapes through to the high end of the next lower heating section. The lowest section is provided with a pipe to a drain in the basement. Thus fresh water for humidifying flows steadily downhill in a thin (capillary) continuously moving film down the corrugations on the top of each heating section to the drain. The dry, baked air of the home passing up through the radiator is thus supplied with refreshing natural moisture. At the same time, dust, germs, etc., are washed from the air and carried continually away through the drain. There are no pockets to collect dirt. Fresh water flows without check from the inlet to the outlet.



Illustrating the humidifying and heating sections of the HUMIDRAD. Heating sections are only required when the HUMIDRAD is heated by steam.

### AUTOMATIC

The HUMIDRAD, being installed as a component part of the heating system, gives off more humidity as more heat is supplied. On a mild day, little heat and only a small amount of humidity are necessary for comfort, while on a cold day the HUMIDRAD, being at a higher temperature, automatically supplies the large amount of extra moisture necessary to maintain a pleasant, comfortable atmosphere in the home. Turning a valve regulates the relative humidity at the will of the owner.

### THE HUMIDRAD CUTS FUEL BILLS TO A MINIMUM

When you consider that moist air at 68° feels as warm and comfortable as dry air at 75°, you will realize just how the HUMIDRAD cuts fuel bills to a minimum.

Without the use of a HUMIDRAD you will have to heat your home to a higher temperature. This, of course, requires more fuel—10% to 15% more. Why not reduce your fuel bills? A 15% saving is a real economy that over a short period of time will actually pay for your HUMIDRAD.

The HUMIDRAD is a revolutionary idea in heating which makes possible greater health and comfort as well as lower fuel bills. Doctors and health authorities realize its great value. In a very few years, every home and office will be equipped with suitable humidifiers. Why wait to enjoy the greater health and comfort made possible by humidity? Place your order for a

HUMIDRAD now. It is the finest type of humidifying equipment that money can buy.

### "FRESHFAIRE"

Something entirely new is FRESHFAIRE . . . filling a long-felt want in every modern home . . . a pure product of Nature, giving a dainty aroma of the forest. It freshens the air and removes the closeness or stuffiness of cooking odours which cannot possibly be avoided in winter, even in the best regulated homes.

FRESHFAIRE is not a substitute for adequate ventilation . . . but as the amount of fresh air that can be admitted into the home during winter is naturally limited, FRESHFAIRE, with humidity, has a distinct value of its own. By creating a fresh, pleasant atmosphere, it stimulates the respiratory organs to deeper breathing . . . brings restful sleep . . . encourages complete relaxation . . . and lessens the irritating, burning feeling of hot, dry air. It adds a delightfully refreshing fragrance of the out-of-doors to your home.

Twenty minutes before your guests arrive, add a few drops of FRESHFAIRE to your Humidrad . . . all stuffiness or cooking odours will immediately disappear . . . and the whole house will be filled with a delicate, fresh atmosphere.





## HIGHLY EFFICIENT

THE EXTRAORDINARILY HIGH EVAPORATIVE CAPACITY OF THE HUMIDRAD IS EXPLAINED BY THE THIN (CAPILLARY), RAPIDLY MOVING FILMS OF WATER FLOWING CONSTANTLY DOWNHILL OVER THE HEATED SURFACE OF THE WATER COURSE, THE AREA OF WHICH IS GREATLY INCREASED BY THE CORRUGATIONS.

## SPECIFICATIONS AND PRICES

Sections:	4	6	8	10	12
Height:	19	25	31	37	43
Sq. Ft. Rad.:	16	24	32	40	48
Capacity Hot Water, Cu. Ft.	7500	11000	15000	18500	22500
Capacity Steam, Cu. Ft.	16000	24000	32000	40000	50000
Evaporative Area, Sq. In.	500	750	1000	1250	1500
Price:	\$75.00	\$95.00	\$115.00	\$135.00	\$155.00
ENCLOSURES: DeLuxe:	40.00	40.00	40.00	50.00	50.00
Plain:	15.00	20.00			

INSTALLATION AND TAX EXTRA

HUMIDRADS ARE 35" LONG, 6½" WIDE

Always specify if Humidrads are to be used on steam or hot water heating, as for steam heating the lower sections consist of standard radiation to prevent over-humidification of the air issuing from the cabinet. This is necessary, due to the extraordinary high evaporative capacity of the Humidrad.

The DeLuxe enclosures illustrated on the front page, are constructed of the finest furniture steel finished by photographic reproduction in oak, walnut and mahogany or in cream duco. The plain enclosures illustrated on the second page are supplied in brown duco only.

## HUMIDAIRE COMPANY LIMITED

NEW BIRKS BUILDING - MONTREAL

HUMIDRADS are sold and installed by dependable plumbing and heating contractors everywhere.

DISTRIBUTED BY AND ON DISPLAY AT

*Less 20% + 2%*





MCGILL UNIVERSITY

October 15th, 1932.

Sir Arthur W. Currie,  
Principal & Vice-Chancellor,  
McGill University.

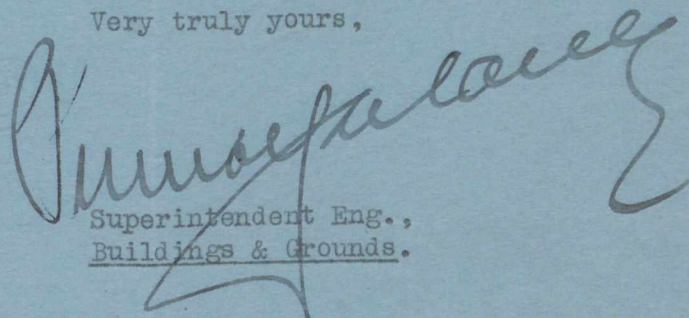
Dear Sir Arthur:-

re:- Humidifiers.

The problem of supplying humidity for your residence is still before us and we have hesitated, to date, to install humidifying radiators owing to the size of your residence and the fact that while they are excellent on steam, they are not so dependable with hot water without a fan, which is not always silent. However, the leading Canadian companies are now developing a combination of their own system and that of another air conditioning device, which, I believe, will meet our requirements.

We are advised that this equipment will not be ready until on or about November 1st, and we are forwarding this information so that you may know this matter is hand.

Very truly yours,



Superintendent Eng.,  
Buildings & Grounds.

P.W. MacFarlane/D.

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MONTREAL

SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER'S  
DEPARTMENT

April 15th. 1930.

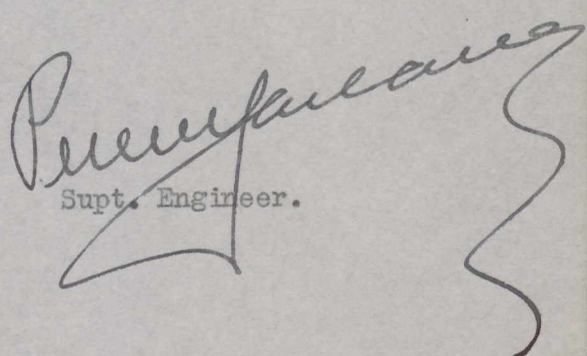
Sir Arthur W. Currie, G.C.M.G., K.C.B.,  
Principal and Vice - Chancellor,  
McGill University.

Dear Sir:-

We attach for your information, copy of the 1930 - 31  
Budget of Repairs and Renewals for 3450 McTavish Street.

Your obedient servant,

P.W.MacFarlane.  
B.E.D.

  
Supt. Engineer.

Encl. 1.

1930 Budget.

PRINCIPAL'S RESIDENCE.

Mauve Room. Touch up window sills and floor at fire place.

Mr. Currie Jr's. Rooms. Tint ceilings and clean off paper in three rooms.

Top floor, North. Guest's bath room. Locate cause of wall stain.

Principal's bath room. Tint ceilings and wash down walls.

Swimming Pool. Paint ceiling, wash down walls and put heat deflector over two radiators.

Ball Room. Wash down and paint alcove. Wash down east and south walls.

Basement Hall. Wash down and paint.

Servant's Bath rooms. Wash down, tint, and paint five in number.

Kitchen Larder. Clean and Paint.

Butler's pantry. See to cause of leak from room above.

Butler's pantry larder. Wash down, tint or paint.

Lane fence. Relay foundations.

Roof drains, gutters, and roof of small rear gallery to be reconditioned, and where necessary, painted.

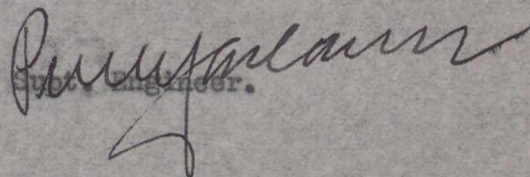
Gallery doors, exterior woodwork and windows to be reconditioned and painted.

McTavish St. gallery and front door and iron work to be painted and refinished.

In addition to this work there will be 8 to 10 rooms to be dusted down and floors to be refinished. This work is to be done when most convenient to Lady Currie, and when started is to be carried forward as rapidly as the number of men that can be engaged will permit.

As in all buildings this list is intended as a guide for the Workshops foreman and any have to be altered before this work is completed. He is, however reminded that all items are budgeted and no additional expenditures are to be incurred without consulting this office.

P.W.MacFarlane.  
B.E.D.

  
Sub. Engineer.

**DOCKET ENDS:**

**DOCKET STARTS:**

April 12 no men nor material  
13 ditto  
14 one carpenter to put spring lock on door;  
1 hour  
15 two men taking off double windows; came at  
7 am., but one man was away for two hours  
16 2 men taking off windows, all day  
17 ditto  
18 Good Friday  
19 one man taking off windows; worked from  
8.30 a.m. to 12.00 † two men examining fire  
extinguishers; 15 minutes at outside  
2  
20 Sunday  
21 2 men taking off windows; all day  
22 ditto  
23 back this morning; washing windows.  
also two carpenters 1 hour and two  
plumbers half an hour  
24 two men on windows  
25 two men on windows  
26 two men on windows  
28 two men all day  
29 none



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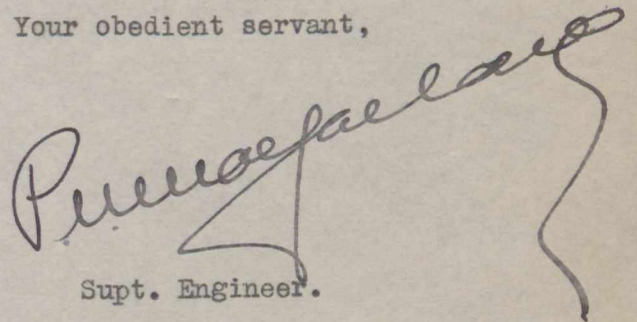
April 21st. 1930.

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

Dear Sir Arthur:-

The attached sheet shows the distribution  
of time, stock and material as expended in repairs, renewals,  
and additions to 3450 McTavish Street.

Your obedient servant,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "P.W. MacFarlane". The signature is written in dark ink and is slanted upwards to the right. It is positioned above the typed name and title of the sender.

P.W. MacFarlane.  
B.E.D.

Supt. Engineer.

Encl.

DATE MONTH April 17<sup>th</sup> 1930

MCGILL UNIVERSITY, BLDG. OR JOB NO. #37

APPR. UNEXPENDED

SUPT. ENG'S DEPT. COST DISTRIBUTION SHEET

CURRENT EXD.

JOB DESCRIPTION Recap. of repairs and renewals in Principals Bldg. for 10 months 1930.

BALANCE LIGHT TRUCK

DATE	CARPENTERS			ELECTRICIANS			DECORATORS			PLUMBERS			ROOFERS & MASONS			STEAMFITTERS			GROUNDSMEN			JANITOR & STAFF			ENGS. & FIREMEN			<del>WAGONS</del> LIGHT TRUCK			CARTAGE				
	TIME	STOCK	PUR.	TIME	STOCK	PUR.	TIME	STOCK	PUR.	TIME	STOCK	PUR.	TIME	STOCK	PUR.	TIME	STOCK	PUR.	TIME	STOCK	PUR.	TIME	STOCK	PUR.	TIME	STOCK	PUR.	TIME	STOCK	PUR.	HORSE	TRUCK			
June 1	40.15	8.54	.60	3.30	5.20	36.10	.60		27.43	10.20	.15																						1.50		
July 2																																			
July 3	3.00	1.25		11.40	3.00					14.70	1.30					4.65			1.20			3.00											1.40	2.25	
August 4																																			
August 5	48.10	17.59		12.80	15.46	9.33	15.85			1.70			19.40	8.30		2.55	.10	6.50				2.00											70	7.83	
September 6																																			
September 7	2.00	.50	1.40	3.00	.70					1.40	.45		20.70	3.45		1.00					3.15													1.50	
October 8																																			
October 9	2.65		9.56	42.02		8.67	3.20			14.00	.10		9.00			1.35					.35													4.00	
November 10																																			
November 11	199.55	76.31	1.38	10.30	30.72		56.15	8.67		2.40	1.25					2.75	1.06		1.80			125.55		27.20										3.75	
December 12																																			
December 13	25.65	13.35	18.24	.55	5.64	26.14	42.60	1.60		4.00	.10		14.50			21.85	4.97				4.17			3.20									15.40	3.75	
January 14																																			
January 15	18.30	3.98		5.75	5.40		6.50			3.50	.75		61.30	1.25		2.75		4.59		6.60														18.00	6.75
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TIME 1191 62  
 OVERHEAD 14% 166 83  
 STOCK 258 29  
 PURCHASES 449 59  
 TOTAL 2066 33

**DOCKET ENDS:**

**DOCKET STARTS:**

asked to do anything further until the report is ready for consideration, when ~~Monday 21st, 1928.~~ will be called in order that the report may be thoroughly discussed and a health policy approved.

Yours faithfully,

John W. Ross, Esq.,  
142 Notre Dame Street West,  
Montreal, Que.

Chairman  
Montreal Anti-Tuberculosis and General  
Health League.

Dear Mr. Ross:-

When I received my last account from T. Eaton & Company it shewed that the amount of the accompanying accounts had been charged to me. It appears that this has been done on the instructions of the Finance Committee. If so, may I most respectfully ask for a re-consideration.

You will remember that when Mrs. Baumgarten left the house she stripped it of all electrical fixtures, except one in the front hall, one in the library and one in what is now Lady Currie's boudoir, but which we have moved to my daughter's room. Every other room was stripped clean. I have taken it for granted that the University would not ask me to accept a house without any electrical fixtures. In this I may have been mistaken, but I do not think I should be.

Let me make some comments:

- (1) You will remember that the University laid hardwood floors on the top floor. In one of the bathrooms of the guest suite this linoleum was laid instead of hardwood.
- (2) The first item is for brackets on the wall of the little drawing-room upstairs, while the other items are fixtures in the bedroom at

the corner.

- (3) These are the three lights in the long hall on the first floor.
- (4) These are the two lights in the long hall on the second floor.
- (5) Is self-explanatory.
- (6) The first two items are two central ceiling fixtures - one in Lady Currie's bedroom and the other in her boudoir. I may say that in those two rooms there are four lamps, four crystal mantel fixtures, two crystal fixtures on my wife's dressing table, two crystal fixtures at each side of the bed, and another crystal fixture in the boudoir. All these we have paid for ourselves. The third item is for the lamp on the front porch.
- (7) Is self-explanatory.
- (8) Also
- (9) Is renewing linoleum in one of small rooms on the first floor.
- (10) Is self-explanatory
- (11) Also
- (12) The first item - 12 brackets - are wall brackets for all the bedrooms on the second floor. There are not by any means too many and they are not expensive. The second item is for brackets for my bedroom. Third item is a central fixture in my bedroom and the fourth item is for the light outside the front door.
- (13) First and second items are for the electrical fixtures in the gothic room. It is a very large room and the fixtures are of iron. Third item is a mirror light in my dressing room. Fourth item is the two large crystal fixtures which hang from the ceiling. They are expensive.

John W. Ross, Esq., - 3 -

but, as you may remember, the room is lighted by five large lamps which we have ourselves paid for.

(14) The first two items are the fixtures for the dining room, while the third and fourth are for the front hall. The fixtures in the dining room, the front hall and the drawing room are expensive, but you will appreciate they have an ornamental value and this is not unreasonable in rooms like the one where they are placed. We have tried to make up for this by using lamps, which we have paid for ourselves, instead of wall fixtures and by cheaper fixtures in the upstairs bedrooms and in the gothic room and gothic gallery.

(15) Is for work done.	(19) Also
(16) Also	(20) Also
(17) Also	(21) Also.
(18) Also	

I may say that I have had two architects give me their opinion concerning this work and both have said that for a house the size of this one the sum asked for is a very reasonable figure for the amount and character of the work done. Both went farther than that and gave a figure considerably in excess of this.

If it is the decision of the Committee that I must pay for all the fixtures in the house there is, of course, nothing more to be said, but I do think that most houses are furnished with electrical fixtures before being turned over to occupancy.

Yours faithfully,

Principal.

McGILL UNIVERSITY  
MONTREAL.

SECRETARY AND BURSAR'S OFFICE.

23rd. February 1928.

Sir Arthur Currie, G.C.M.G.,  
McGill University,  
MONTREAL.

Dear Sir Arthur,

I am in receipt of your letters in regard to the fixtures of the McTavish Street residence. I was not aware that any charge had been made against you for these fixtures.

The decision of the Finance Committee was that they would assume the amount you suggested in connection with the furniture, and it was presumed that it covered the electrical fixtures. As this does not appear to have covered that, I am quite sure that they are desirous of meeting this expenditure. I am sorry that you have been put to so much trouble in going into the detail. I have, therefore, asked Mr. Glassco if he will arrange to give you credit for this amount.

I return the accounts which you enclosed in your letter.

With kind regards,

Yours very truly,

*A*  
*[Signature]*  
Hon. Treas.

Encl.

JWR/A.



February 24th, 1928.

John W. Ross, Esq.,  
142 Notre Dame Street West,  
Montreal, Que.

Dear Mr. Ross:-

Let me acknowledge receipt  
of your letter of yesterday with reference to  
the electrical fixtures.

I wish to thank you very  
much indeed for the decision you have made.

Yours faithfully,

Principal.

**DOCKET ENDS:**

PRINCIPAL'S RESIDENCE

Details of cost of alterations, furnishings, etc.

March 24th, 1927.

Painting and papering of entire house  
and Caretaker's quarters and painting  
of furniture.

Labour . . . . .	\$6,043.44	
Painting . . . . .	627.79	
Papering . . . . .	768.12	
Glazing . . . . .	<u>376.68</u>	\$7,816.03

Carpenter work, new hardwood flooring,  
repairs to all windows, new cupboards,  
shelving, new mirrors, repairs and  
replacements of Hardware, new entrance  
of Gothic Hall.

Moulding . . . . .	51.09	
New Doors . . . . .	94.50	
Cupboards, shelving, etc. . . . .	114.55	
Hardware . . . . .	57.18	
Cement, Galvanized iron sash weights . . . . .	14.68	
Dumb Waiter . . . . .	6.85	
New Mirrors . . . . .	29.19	
Labour . . . . .	777.26	
Hardwood flooring . . . . .	<u>811.50</u>	1,956.80

Electrical Work - repairs to all wiring,  
installation of new wiring, changes in lighting in  
Ball-room, fixing all circuits and installing  
lights.

Wiring, etc . . . . .	79.96	
Lamps . . . . .	171.20	
Labour . . . . .	<u>226.23</u>	477.39

Plumbing and Heating - repairs to plumbing and  
installing new fixtures, repairs to furnace.

Piping and fixtures . . . . .	75.75	
Furnace pipe and grate. . . . .	32.28	
Heater, etc-Caretaker's House . . . . .	29.35	
Labour . . . . .	<u>60.89</u>	198.27

Forward . . . . . \$10,448.49

Principal's Residence, (Cont'd)

Forward . . . . \$10,448.49

Weather Stripping . . . . .	765.55
Linoleum . . . . .	24.30
Labourers - cleaning, helpers for Trades and cleaning snow . . . . .	618.58
Cleaning . . . . .	25.35
Cartage, moving materials and cleaning snow from yard . . . . .	56.91
Roofing - repairs to roof and clearing off snow . . . . .	100.00
Refrigeration . . . . .	795.00
<u>T. Eaton &amp; Company,</u>	
Repairing two walnut beds, one desk, one large walnut desk, one card table and benches for Ball-room . . . . .	163.30
One <del>Schapel</del> <sup>Apple</sup> mirror re-silvered, one desk top repaired, two section tables and two Chesterfields repaired . . . . .	125.00
Miscellaneous . . . . .	216.74

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\$13,339.22  
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MCGILL UNIVERSITY

MEMO RE PRINCIPAL'S RESIDENCE

March 10th, 1927.

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Capital cost of purchase price of property . . . . .	\$60,000.00
Municipal taxes paid at time of purchase . . . . .	1,326.50
Water Taxes paid at time of purchase . . . . .	157.42
Cost of alterations, furnishings, etc <i>(see schedule A)</i> . . . . .	13,339.22
Furniture purchase from Mrs. Baumgarten including the cost of valuating same . . . . .	<u>6,106.50</u>

\$80,929.64

ESTIMATED ANNUAL UP-KEEP

Heating - 105 tons of coal . . . . .	1,650.00
Electricity for light . . . . .	750.00
Electricity for elevator . . . . .	125.00
Gas . . . . .	150.00
Taxes - snow removal . . . . .	11.10
Taxes - Water . . . . .	349.20
Insurance Premiums . . . . .	<u>150.00</u>

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October 5th, 1926.

John W. Ross, Esq.,  
142 Notre Dame St. West,  
Montreal.

Dear Mr. Ross:-

This will acknowledge receipt  
of your letter of yesterday enclosing correspondence  
with Ewing & Ewing with reference to the Baumgarten  
house.

Yours faithfully,

**DOCKET STARTS:**



June 20th, 1927.

A.P.S.Glassco, Esq.,  
Secretary and Bursar,  
McGill University.

Dear Mr. Glassco:-

This letter is merely to place on file my understanding of the manner in which the Finance Committee of the Board of Governors of McGill University dealt with the matter of the furniture purchased from Mrs. Baumgarten.

It was understood that while McGill purchased this furniture I was to have the use of it so long as I remained Principal of the University, and on my retirement would have the option of buying such articles as I then wished at the prices set forth in the Bill of Sale.

Yours faithfully,

Principal.

McGILL UNIVERSITY  
MONTREAL

SECRETARY AND BURSAR'S OFFICE

APSG:C

June  
Twenty-second  
1927.

Dear Sir Arthur:

This letter is to acknowledge receipt  
of yours of June 20th and to confirm your understanding in  
regard to the furniture purchased by the University for your  
residence, 34 McTavish Street.

Yours faithfully,

*APSG:SCO*  
Secretary

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

**DOCKET ENDS:**

*Prin. Residence*

June  
Fifteenth  
1921.

A.P.S. Glassco, Esq.,  
Secretary & Pursar,  
McGill University.

Dear Sir:-

With reference to the premises which I have rented at 595 Sherbrooke Street West, you will remember that the Finance Committee agreed to contribute the sum of \$400. per month until the 18th of June next.

I know that it is the intention of the Board to provide a Principal's residence, but the purchase of a house has not yet been made, largely because the year has been such an exceedingly busy one that none of us have had time to decide on a suitable residence. I would like to rent the Gault house for another year from June 18th, 1921 to June 18, 1922. I am writing to ask if the Board would contribute the sum of \$4,200. towards the rental for that period. I would like to have this matter settled before I leave.

Yours faithfully,

Principal.

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Télégr. Golf Hôtel - Nîmes

MÊMES MAISONS  
GOLF HÔTEL BEAUVALLON s/MER  
SPLENDID HÔTEL MARSEILLE

## Le Golf Hôtel

Nîmes (Var)

20 January 1922

Dear Sir Arthur,

Mrs. Baumgarten has a villa for the season at Cannes, and when I was there last week she talked to me about her private affairs. She told me that her late husband had long intended to bequeath to Mr. Hill his property on Mr. Tavish Street, but had felt obliged to change his intention and leave the property to her when he suffered some unexpected losses in connection with the transfer of the Atlantic Sugar Refinery. She said she would never live in the house again, and expressed disappointment at her failure to sell the house for club purposes to the Knights of Columbus, who are said to

## Rucifab Residence

have acquired the Strathcona house in  
Dorchester Street.

Mrs. Baumgarten admitted that  
the upkeep and maintenance of the house  
was a drain on her resources - in fact, a  
white elephant - and that it might  
have been as well for her if her husband  
had left the property to Mr. Gill.

From this conversation I concluded  
that if property approached and handed  
Mrs. Baumgarten might be induced to  
sell the property to Mr. Gill for a sum  
very far below its intrinsic value.  
It might be that if she has to hold  
the property for some considerable time  
the burden of taxes and maintenance  
may bring her to a state of mind  
in which she will be willing to give  
it to Mr. Gill. But I think that is  
highly improbable because her  
connections would advise her against  
it, and because, if her attitude became  
known, some speculator would offer  
a low price for the property and secure it.

I don't suppose that Mr. Gill is desirous of acquiring property on the west side of N. Yavish St. even at bargain prices, but it occurred to me that the Baumgarten house might be used, if needed, for lecture purposes during the reconstruction of the Arts Building, and also that the house might appropriately be used as a Municipal residence. There is also the further reflection that if acquired for any purpose at a very low figure, it might subsequently be sold at a profit.

Perhaps you will think it well to show this letter to John W. Ross.

I was sorry to see recently in the Paris edition of the Daily Mail a paragraph on the Wallis - Morin case. What a disgusting misandry it is! The paragraph stated that Wallis had resumed teaching.

We had very fine weather for

the first four weeks of our stay in the  
Prussia, but lately, it has turned cold  
and wet, and I am regretting the  
winter comforts of the States and  
Canada.

Always sincerely yours  
W. Vaughan



McGILL UNIVERSITY  
MONTREAL

SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER'S  
DEPARTMENT

June 15th. 1925

Mr. A. P. S. Glassco,  
Secretary & Bursar.

*25 minutes walk.*

Dear Mr. Glassco:-

The residence of Dr. H. P. Wright, 40 Trafalgar Road consists of a 2½ storey brick house with basement and front extension containing 2 car garage and and bedroom above. Main house is 27' x 63' and extension 22' x 20'.

Basement - Has large library, laundry, Drying room, vegetable room, storage room, Funnace room and coal room.

Ground Floor- Large hall, cloak room, Living room, Dining room, Kitchen, Pantry, Servants Hall, Garage.

Ist. Floor - Owners bedroom with dressing room and bathroom, Guests bedroom with bathroom, 3 maids bedrooms and bathroom and cupboards.

2nd. Floor - 4 rooms, bathroom and 3 store rooms.

Construction is up to good standard, concrete basement walls, solid brick exterior walls, steel supporting frame, slate roof, concrete block division walls in basement, hardwood floors throughout.

Valuation - Land	8,000.00	
Building	<u>33,000.00</u>	\$ 41,000.00

Yours truly,

*James Lawrence*

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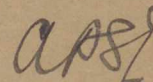
June  
Sixteenth  
1925.

Dear Dr. Wright:

I am sending you herewith copy of a letter  
which I have today addressed to Mr. Henry Fry, the University's notary.

Would you be so kind as to deliver to his  
office, 160 St. James Street, all papers necessary for the drafting of  
the Deed of Loan?

Yours faithfully,



Secretary

Dr. H. P. Wright,  
Medical Arts Building,  
Montreal.

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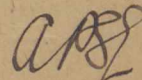
June  
Sixteenth  
1925.

Dear Mr. Fry:

The University has agreed to make a mortgage loan of \$20,000. on the property of Dr. H.P. Wright (or Mrs. Wright ) at 40 Trafalgar Avenue, this loan to run for five years with interest at 6% per annum and the principal to be reduced not more than \$1,000. and not less than \$500. per annum.

I am sending Dr. Wright a copy of this letter with the request that he send the necessary papers to your office in order that you may draft the Deed of Loan.

Yours faithfully,



Secretary

Henry Fry Esq.,  
Notary,  
160 St. James Street,  
Montreal.

**DOCKET ENDS:**