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May 11th, 1922.

Rt. Hon. Sir Auckland Geddes, P.C., K.C.B.,  
British Embassy,  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir Auckland:-

I am giving this letter of  
introduction to you to Mr. Frank Patrick of  
Vancouver, B.C.

Mr. Patrick had the honour  
of meeting you when you addressed the Canadian  
Club there a couple of months ago, and furthermore  
is a graduate of McGill - Arts 1908.

I wish you would give Mr. Patrick  
a few minutes of your time. He desires to ask your  
advice with reference to a project in which he is  
very much interested.

Convocation takes place tomorrow  
and everything, weather included, points to a very  
interesting day. We are giving Pershing an honorary  
degree.

With all good wishes,

Yours faithfully,

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May 11th, 1922.

Frank Patrick, Esq.,  
Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Mr. Patrick:-

Since our conversation two days ago I have given further consideration to the project outlined by you.

I can say with confidence that I give it my most cordial approval. I believe it provides an avenue whereby a matter of much educational value and consequent interest can be placed before the peoples of the world, particularly those who are represented directly in the production.

With reference to your intimation that you would like me to stand for the typical Canadian, I have no objection to this, rather would I consider it an honour, provided the story were a dignified, thoughtful and comprehensive presentation of Canadian life. I agree to your request, provided I am satisfied with the project when completed, particularly as to the character of the story and the standing of the men consenting to represent their respective countries.

I wish you every success in those places which you expect to visit and will expect to hear from you when the project assumes a more definite character.

Yours faithfully,

43, CLARGES STREET,  
LONDON, W. 1.

20th December, 1929.

My dear Sir Arthur,

I had the pleasure of sending you some time back through my publishers, the Oxford University Press, a copy of my book entitled "The Zoroastrian Doctrine of a Future Life". I find that no acknowledgment of the receipt of the publication has yet been received, and wonder if it has safely reached you.

With kind regards,

Believe me,

Yours very sincerely,

*John Dastur C. Davy*

From:-

Dr. Jal Dastur C. Pavry,  
M.A., Ph.D.

43, CLARGES STREET,  
LONDON, W. 1.

23rd January, 1930.

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

My dear Sir Arthur,

I am much disturbed to know that the copy of my book  
"The Zoroastrian Doctrine of a Future Life" has, by some  
mischance, not come to your hands.

I had the pleasure of asking my publishers to send  
you a copy of the book with my compliments on the 7th  
April 1929, who reported me by return of post that they  
had duly sent it to you. I am writing to the Press to  
explain to me the cause of this unfortunate error.

With expressions of sincere regard,

Believe me,

Yours very sincerely,

*Jal Dastur C. Pavry*

10th January, 1930

Mr. John D. G. Pavey,  
43 Clarges Street,  
London, W.1.  
E n g l a n d .

My dear Mr. Pavey,

The delay in acknowledging your letter of the 20th December last has been because of the thorough search I have had made for the copy of your book "The Zoroastrian Doctrine of a Future Life" which you say was sent me through your publishers, the Oxford University Press.

My staff have been unable to find this book and I am afraid it must have gone astray in the mails.

Ever yours faithfully,

Principal.

7th February, 1930.

Dr. J. D. C. Pavry, M.A. Ph.D.,  
43 Clarges Street,  
London, W. 1., England.

My dear Dr. Pavry,

Let me acknowledge  
your letter of the 23rd January with further  
reference to your book "The Zoroastrian Doctrine  
of a Future Life".

I note you sent me  
the book on the 7th April of last year. At  
that time I was away from Canada, had been away  
for eight months, and I did not return until  
June of 1929. Evidently in my absence it  
went astray. I can find no trace of its arrival  
here, but you will understand that when I returned  
I had a year's accumulation of mail to go through,  
and this came at a time when I was under great  
pressure immediately with current business.

Ever yours faithfully,

Principal.

43, CLARGES STREET,  
LONDON, W. 1.

7th March, 1930.

My dear Sir Arthur,

It is unfortunate that the copy of my book, "The Zoroastrian Doctrine of a Future Life," which I had the pleasure of sending to you some time back, did not, by some mischance, come to your hands.

I am asking the Columbia University Press to send you another copy of the book. It is sent to you with my very best compliments, and trust that it may prove of interest.

With expressions of sincere regard,

Believe me,

Yours very sincerely,

*Jal Dastur G. Daver*

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

March 24th, 1930.

Jal D. C. Pavey, Esq.,  
43 Clarges Street,  
London, W.1., England.

Dear Mr. Pavey,

I have received your letter of March 7th and the book has also come to hand from Columbia University Press. It is very kind of you to have sent me another copy, and I shall read it with much interest.

Yours faithfully,

Principal.

TELEGRAMS:  
KEIGHBRACE, AUDLEY, LONDON.  
TELEPHONE:  
GROSVENOR 5555.

PARK LANE HOTEL  
PICCADILLY  
LONDON.W.1

17th June, 1930.

Dear Sir Arthur,

I wish to thank you sincerely for your kind letter with regard to my book "The Heroines of Ancient Persia." I believe it was in error that the letter was addressed to my brother. The last time I had the pleasure of meeting you was at the Albert Hall on the occasion of the tenth anniversary of the Armistice.

With kind regards from my brother and myself,

Yours sincerely,

*Bapsy Levy.*

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



KHUSRAU ARRIVES AT SHIRIN'S PALACE

(From a Persian Manuscript in the Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York)



MISS BAPSY PAVRY, M.A.

Daughter of a Parsi High-Priest in Bombay. Delegate to Geneva Conference for Peace through Religion. Member of All-India Women's Conference Reception Committee.

43, CLARGES STREET,  
LONDON, W. 1.

9th May, 1930.

Dear Sir Arthur,

I have just returned to London from India, and have the pleasure to send you a copy of my book "The Heroines of Ancient Persia," published last month. You will receive it directly from my publishers, the Cambridge University Press. The book is sent to you with my best compliments.

My brother, Dr. Jal Pavry, joins me in sending you our kind regards. Looking forward to seeing you again, I am

Yours sincerely,

*Bapsy Pavry*

40 CLARKE STREET  
LONDON W. 1

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May 26, 1930.

Bapsy Pavry, Esq.,  
43, Clarges Street,  
London, W. 1.  
England.

Dear Mr. Pavry,

Let me acknowledge your letter of the 9th May and tell you that today the book "The Heroines of Ancient Persia" has come to hand. I am very grateful to you for sending me a copy. It looks like a very charming little book and I am looking forward with interest to reading it.

With kind regards to yourself and to your brother,

I am,

Ever yours faithfully,

Principal.

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December  
Tenth  
1920.

D. C. Patterson, Esq.,  
1538 Edmonds Street,  
Edmonds, B.C.

Dear Sir:-

I have your letter of December 3rd,  
and if you will give me additional information  
as to the inventions which you claim may prove of great  
value, I will turn them over to our Research Depart-  
ment for an opinion as to the advisability of pro-  
ceeding further.

We shall be very glad to co-operate  
with you, in any way .

Yours faithfully,

Principal.

(See Dr. Adams)

Sir A.W. Currie

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Montreal

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Dear Sir

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I hope to have some drawings ready this week, but I wish you had some friend or representative here who could call and take particulars of several devices I have on hand, this last two weeks have tried me hard, and I have scarcely got anything done, several of these things will, I feel certain, be of some value, but they must be clearly understood, I have some models here for illustration and experiment, but are not good enough to send you.

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Montreal 3rd Dec 1970

Dear Sir

First let me explain that illness prevents me using a pen and is the reason for this letter to you, as I find myself quite unable to go on with my experiments and plans.

I have a number of inventions, some of which may prove to be of very great value, and their utility easily tested, if you have a Research Department capable of handling them. I have a number of suggestions and sketches in the hands of the faculty of the UBC but as you know, they are handicapped for lack of equipment, &c but I still hope to be of some real service to our University, here,

You being near the larger engineering concerns and better equipped, will you undertake to make a few simple and inexpensive tests and, if satisfied, apply for patents, allowing say 75% to McGill and 25% to me. This is, in part, out of regard to yourself as an "old timer" here. Respectfully yours  
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Hoping for good results from your assistance, I am, Yours Truly

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1538 Edmonds St  
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18 Jan'y 1921

Dear Sir

Attached is suggested Radiomantel, my object in designing which has been to largely increase the heat from a given amount of fuel and at the same time retain the wholesome ventilating qualities of the open fire place.

Besides its very great economy in fuel it offers practically unlimited possibilities in form and ornamentation, from plain sheet iron to hammered brass or embossed copper; anything which is printed on paper may be stamped in metal.

In the more severe cold of Eastern or prairie sections it might be desired to carry the heating surface clear to the ceiling, guiding the hot gases by staggered baffle plates.

While an entirely separate matter I have added my method of consuming the smoke by passing it through the fire and igniting it.

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D. B. Patterson

February 21, 1921.

D. C. Patterson, Esq.,  
1538 Edmonds Street,  
Edmonds,  
B.C.

Dear Sir,

I am returning herewith the drawings etc. which you forwarded to me sometime ago. The Department to which they were submitted did not offer very much encouragement, and I am enclosing herewith their report. Probably you might be able to overcome the objections which they see in the drawings.

Yours faithfully,

Principal.

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Sir Arthur H Currie  
Principal  
McGill  
Montreal

1538 Edmonds St  
Edmonds, B.C.  
4 March 1921

Dear Sir

I have yours of Feb 21<sup>st</sup> returning drawings and giving report of Department on my proposed Radio-Mantel, Fire Escape, and Smoke consumer, and may say that in my long experience I have been so often called upon for an opinion in work and devices of many kinds that I think I am fully justified in having considerable confidence in ~~matter~~ my own judgement in matters mechanical, when I say that my father was a Builder, while I served my apprenticeship as a Shipbuilder on the Clyde, was with the Albion Iron Works in Victoria in '88, watched Whitelaw fail to lift the "San Pedro" from Brochie Ledge, have since been workman, foreman, <sup>and</sup> owner of my own Works, have built a number of houses, including "Corving College" on Beacon Hill Park, which I sold to Professor Church, had some correspondence with the Board of Inventions and Research, London, and Naval Consulting Board, New York, & I can hardly be considered a novice, In 1916 I had arrangements fairly well advanced to open a shipyard at Dartmouth N.S., but I had to return home ill, and since Aug 1916 I have been unable to walk or use a pen, might I ask you not merely for an opinion but a test of my ideas, I add my reasons for this,

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I have so repeatedly created a dense stream of smoke from coal, wet wood or a combination of the two, and ignited it at will, that I am quite satisfied that my theory is correct, it could easily be tried out by inserting a series of gas jets in a small smoke stack, turning them off and on and watching results at the stack, if successful then insert a pipe boiler, without decreasing the capacity of the stack, test the evaporative power of the pipe boiler with and without the smoke, then calculate the units of heat obtained from the smoke, besides consuming it.

This matter is so very important that any reasonable suggestion is worthy of a test.

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December 4th, 1926.

John Patterson, Esq.,  
215 Caron Building,  
2050 Bleury Street,  
Montreal.

Dear Mr. Patterson:-

Thank you very much for your  
letter of yesterday with reference to the Chinese  
Cafe on Sherbrooke Street.

I shall take up the matter at  
once with the Liquor Commission.

With all good wishes, I am,

Yours faithfully,

Nector O. Payne

Bellings Bridge

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

16th February 1938

Dear Sir,

The paper which you enclosed to me has been referred to the Physics Department. They regret that in its present form it is in their opinion unsuitable for publication. The interest in Physics revealed by the article is much appreciated by the Department.

Yours very truly,

Mr. Hector O. Payne,  
Billings Bridge,  
Ontario.

P.S. Your paper is returned herewith.



MCGILL UNIVERSITY

DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICS

February 15th, 1938.

Mrs. D. McMurray,  
Secretary to the Principal,  
Administration Wing.

Memorandum

With reference to your memorandum of February 12th and the paper from Mr. H.O. Payne, which I enclose, I would suggest that you either refer it back to me to give a direct answer, or else say something like the following:

"Your paper has been referred to the Physics Department, and they regret to state that in its present form it is, in their opinion, unsuitable for publication, as it reveals unfamiliarity with the literature and recent advances in regard to the subject discussed. While the interest in Physics revealed by the article is much appreciated, it is strongly recommended that the author should endeavour to familiarize himself with the recent advances in knowledge concerning the problems he discusses."

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I am afraid that there is no value whatever in his paper, as it contains many absurdities and the main point which he is trying to make appears to be incorrectly developed. He is probably a man who has enthusiastically tried to theorize about matters which require a broader knowledge and higher attainments than he possesses. I always feel that such people should be encouraged rather than snubbed, but sometimes friendly appreciation of their efforts leads to interminable correspondence, and all that happens is that they feel that they have not been given their due, or that others are unable to see the light. We have many such correspondents who write us from time to time.

*A. Norman Shaw*

A. Norman Shaw,  
Director,  
Macdonald Physics Laboratory.

Billings Bridge, Ont.,  
Feb. 10, 1938.

Mr. Morgan,  
Principal McGill University,  
Montreal.

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing  
a paper on the weight of  
heat. If you are not  
interested would you please  
return it?

Yours truly

Hector O. Payne.