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January
Sixteenth
1923.

W. A. Bonshor, Esq., D.C.M.,
264 Desery Street,
Montreal.

My dear Bonshor:-

I was interested in receiving your letter
of the 14th instant.

You must have seen the ^{whole thing} ~~14th~~ through while
you were with the 14th in France. I do not know whether
I am going to have anything to do with removing the
conditions of vice that exist in Montreal or not. I
believe conditions exist here that are so bad as to be
intolerable, and that influence must be brought to bear
upon the civic authorities to force our Police to see
that the laws of our land are not disobeyed, and also to
see that our Court Officials do not abuse the law. My
part would be limited to helping that influence. Others
will direct the Police Force as to what they shall do
and how they shall do it.

I fully agree with you regarding the
necessity for more up-to-date methods in the detection
of crime.

Cordially reciprocating your good wishes
for the New Year, I am,

Yours faithfully,

Principal.

PRINCIPAL AND VICE-CHANCELLOR
A. E. MORGAN

MCGILL UNIVERSITY
MONTREAL

30th November 1936

Dear Mr. Chittenden,

I was sorry that I was not able to see you before I left to thank you for the kindness and courtesy which were shown to me when I stayed at The Book-Cadillac last week. I am most grateful to you for the friendly hospitality of your hotel.

Yours sincerely,

The Manager,
The Book-Cadillac Hotel,
Detroit, Michigan.

May
Ninth
1921.

Sir Robert L. Borden, G.C.M.G., LL.D.,
OTTAWA.

Dear Sir Robert:-

At the meeting of Corporation of McGill University this afternoon I noted with pleasure on the graduation list (Arts) the names of your nephew and your niece, Henry Borden and Eunice Borden.

This will be good news to you and I hasten to congratulate you and them on their success.

With all good wishes,

I am,

Yours faithfully,

Principal.

GLENSMERE,
OTTAWA.

Dear Mr. Brittain,

I am most grateful
for your kind message of sympathy
sent on behalf of McGill University.
Your fine tribute to my dear husband
is greatly appreciated.

I remain, dear Mr. Brittain,
Very sincerely yours,

Laura Borden

(Copy)

Dear Lady Borden,

I wish to express to you the most sincere sympathy of McGill University. In Sir Robert the Dominion has lost a man whose life and work it will always delight to honour, and McGill University is especially proud that he was for some years our Chancellor.

Believe me,

Yours sincerely,

Acting Principal.

11 June, 1937.

April
Fifth
1921.

Senator Bostock,
The Senate,
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Senator:-

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

The instruction in English Literature
to which I made reference is an Extension course
given in the evenings to some of the school teachers
in the Protestant Schools of Montreal. There is
another Extension course in the same subject which
is being attended by some 60 or 70 citizens.

We do not intend to increase our
staff at the present time, but I will make a note
of Mr. Jackson's name and qualifications and will
promise to give his name every consideration when-
ever a vacancy occurs in this Department.

With all good wishes, I am,

Ever yours faithfully,

Principal.



4th April 1921

Dear Sir Arthur

When you were speaking on Saturday evening you mentioned that you had arranged or were arranging for instruction in English literature. I wondered, after wards if by any chance you might be in a position to offer a man in B.C. an opening he has been coaching men for the B. M. C. and other examinations for some years but the change that has been made with regard to the

R. M. C. Entrance Examinations has
so cut into his work that he has to find
something else to do. he coached my second
boy for the R. M. C. Entrance and I consider
him an especially good man on subjects
such as English literature, English History
and Classics. being an Oxford graduate
with a considerable experience of
life in the West and a lover of sports
he is a particularly good man for
young men and I think it is a
great pity he should leave B. C. but
at the present moment he has not

Succeeded in finding any thing there that
will make up for what he loses by the
Change in the B. M. C. Examination.

I trust you will excuse my troubling you
about a case of this kind, but I
thought there would be no harm in
asking you the question as sometimes
an opportunity is lost through not asking
I think Mr Jackson is a man about 40
or 42 years of age he is married but has
no family. at present he is living in
Vancouver. B. C.

With kind regards

Yours sincerely,

Arthur B. B. B.

General Sir Arthur Currie G. C. M. G. K. C. B., Lt. D.

Principal, McGill University

July 11th, 1923.

Miss Mary F. Stratton,
Boston School of Physical Education,
105 South Huntington Avenue,
Boston, Mass.

Dear Miss Stratton:-

In the absence of the Principal your letter making inquiries as to whether both Physics and Chemistry are pre-requisite for entrance to our School of Physical Education has been referred to the Director of that School.

He informs me that while they would like to make both Physics and Chemistry necessary for entrance they find it impossible to do so, as so many preparatory schools teach only one of these subjects. In these circumstances we accept any one science subject for entrance.

I am sending you, under separate cover, a copy of the Announcement of the School. On page 9 you will see set forth the entrance requirements.

Yours faithfully,

Principal's Secretary.

BOSTON SCHOOL OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION
105 SOUTH HUNTINGTON AVENUE
BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS

Principal of McGill University
Montreal Canada

Dear Sir

The Boston School of Physical Education plans to require for entrance after this year Elementary Physics and Chemistry as a preparation for Physiology—certain schools consider this an unfair requirement—The School desires information in regard to these subjects as offered in all the schools which have sent us pupils in the past, and would appreciate your answers to the questions following and any remarks or suggestions you may care to make.

Yours truly,

Mary J Stratton, Secretary

1. What courses does your school offer ? i.e. College preparatory, Commercial etc.
2. Is Physics required in any of the above courses ? If so, of what character, and how many times a week ?
3. Is Chemistry required in any of the above courses ? If so, of what character, and how many times a week ?
4. If not required, can a pupil readily include in her program either or both ?

Remarks:

Signature:

ack.



OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
BOSTON UNIVERSITY
BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS

March 1, 1926

My dear Mr. President,

We have fixed the Inauguration of President Daniel L. Marsh of Boston University for Saturday morning, May fifteenth, at Symphony Hall, Boston.

This is an advance notice that you may keep the date for us. We very much hope to have a thoroughly representative gathering of educators at that time.

Earnestly hoping for your presence here, I beg to remain

With all good wishes,

Very sincerely,

Wm. J. Hudson
Former Acting President
Chairman, Committee on Inauguration

President of McGill University
Montreal, Quebec, Canada

March 9th, 1926.

Dr. William F. Anderson,
Chairman, Committee on Inauguration,
Boston University,
Boston, Mass.

Dear Dr. Anderson:-

I beg to acknowledge and to thank you for your letter of March 1st in which you were good enough to invite me to be present at the inauguration of President Daniel L. Marsh, on Saturday morning, May fifteenth next.

I cannot at the present time say positively that I shall be able to be present on this occasion, but, in any case, I shall endeavour to have McGill represented. The date mentioned comes in the middle of a very busy period here, as we are just finishing examinations and preparing for Convocation.

Yours faithfully,

Principal.

January 29th, 1924.

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London, E.C.4,
England.

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General Sir A. Burnie,

Dear Sir,

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will expired with the issue of the 17th inst. May we have the
pleasure of renewing? Enclosed is subscription form.

Yours very truly,

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ARTHUR E. CHILDS
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TELEPHONE
MAIN 4426

November 3, 1920.

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

My dear Sir Arthur:

May I take the liberty of offering what I believe to be a justified criticism of the pamphlet which I have received entitled "McGill and Science," which pamphlet is sent out by the Endowment Committee.

As you may know, I am a graduate of the Faculty of Applied Science, and, therefore, perhaps am entitled to criticise the pamphlet. In looking it over I can find no reference to Dr. Henry T. Bovey, who was Dean of Science for a great many years and who spent the very best years of his life in building up the department, and yet the resume of achievements of McGill in the scientific department, while mentioning a great many other names, entirely omits any reference to Dr. Bovey. This undoubtedly is a grave oversight if it is not something much worse, viz.: an intentional omission of all reference to Dr. Bovey. I feel that this omission may perhaps prejudice a great many graduates of the Faculty of Applied Science when they look it over, and I am calling the matter to your attention so that you may be familiar with this omission and may perhaps see fit to call it to the attention of the Endowment Committee.

I am Looking forward to seeing you in the near future,

Very cordially yours,

Arthur E. Childs.

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1920.

Arthur E. Childs, Esq.,
President, Massachusetts Lighting Companies,
77 Franklin Street,
Boston, Mass.

Dear Mr. Childs:-

After more than a month's absence from Montreal, I returned to the city last Friday morning, since which time I have been extremely busy with campaign matters. It was only to-day that I found time to answer your letter of November 3rd.

I am very sorry, indeed, that in the pamphlet entitled "McGill and Science" there has been an omission which gives cause for criticism. I am quite sure that the oversight in not mentioning Dr. Bovey's name was unintentional. I should greatly regret if an error of this sort should cause any of our Science graduates to withhold from McGill any support they are able to give, and of which the University is so badly in need.

As you know mistakes will from time to time occur. McGill is five generations old and, doubtless, has made many mistakes. She will likely survive for many more generations and will make mistakes in the future. The only thing she must try to do is not to make the same mistake twice. When one surveys the path of progress and usefulness trod by the University and attempts to visualize how that path will extend through countless ages in the future, one realizes that those of us who live to-day are but incidents and it will give us more satisfaction to be put down amongst those who helped, than otherwise.

Arthur E. Childs, Esq., - 2 -

You will be glad to know that the campaign so far has gone very well. The graduates everywhere are responding splendidly. We are with confidence waiting to hear good news from Boston and the New England States.

I hope that you will accept my apology for the oversight and that you will give us all the help which lies in your power to contribute.

I shall be in Boston on the 29th and hope to have the pleasure of seeing you.

With all good wishes, I am,

Ever yours faithfully,

Principal.

My dear General:

I hope that you will forgive this note-book paper. but I find that I have nothing else at home and the mail which I want to catch closes today.

We have had a more or less uneventful winter - which is "much to be thankful for" and on the whole have gone ahead a bit.

Clarke has been splendidly successful with the Orchestra. The Sunday concerts have become a regular feature of Montreal life and many people go day after day. We got the Committee properly incorporated and organised. The President is E.R. Decary, the V.P.s are Montpetit myself Miss Shaughnessy & Mme David members Cholette, Mme Casgrain, Matthews Hallward Mrs Waugh Sir Andrew Macphail and a few others. The majority are connected with McGill including 2 or 3 of the French Canadian members. Having Mme David we have rather forestalled the trouble I expected from David himself. We have about 1400 members of the association and have raised about \$6000 mostly in \$1 & \$2 amounts. This has been enough to give the musicians about \$11 each per Sunday - not much but much better than nothing.

What is much more important is that Montreal has a really good orchestra

everyone recognizes that it is at least as good as any in Canada and most people think it the best. This is mainly due to Clarke. The Committee is only concerned with the Sunday concerts. The Orchestra just last week got a splendid contract from the C.P.R. for a series of nation wide broadcasts. ~~on~~ Clarke is to give explanatory notes on the music. A booklet is also being got out in French and English. This series with the Sunday concerts will give the men enough to live on through the winter. and they all I know feel under a deep obligation to Clarke.

We had our fight with the Bar over the law course. As their bill was finally put forward it would have forced us into a change. We offered them an amendment which would have left us alone. The Quebec batonnier, St Laurent, would have accepted it. but George Campbell said he could not take the responsibility as the Council of the Bar had passed the bill and Genet who represented the Faculty of Law of the University of Montreal absolutely refused to compromise. Taschereau (Genet did not know this) accepted our position and two other ministers Dillon and Mercier were also against the Bar although both lawyers.

So we defeated them completely at the public bills committee after a good fight. Genet of course lost his temper.

There was one rather amusing incident during the discussion on their first paragraph^h which called for a preliminary B.A.

Joe Cohen, one of our law graduates and member for St Lawrence said that as long

as some Universities. he would not say which limit students of some races, some young men could not get B.A.s and must satisfy themselves with passing the examination for admission to study. Genet attacked him violently afterwards and said that he should have mentioned McGill. I only wished that he had. so that I could have said that ~~we were~~ I had no instructions to support the proposal. As a matter of fact we could not have let it go without an amendment as it would have blocked our commerce and engineering graduates while admitting a classical college B.A.

The whole proposal of the bar was thoroughly silly. they asked for a fourth year with no idea of what they were going to do with it and they could not tell very much about current conditions.

There has been a great deal of discussion over a sort of round robin which 68 Toronto professors sent in attacking Drapers "short way with communists". The students of course supported them. so did our Daily The Toronto governors on Friday passed an "unofficial motion" whatever that may be condemning the professors attitude but taking no official notice as the professors said that they did not represent the University. Frank Scott wrote a letter on the same subject but limited himself to pointing out the actual law. so the controversy here did not attract much notice. The whole affair ended in what was almost a farce when B.K. Sandwell at a large I.O.D.E. meeting asked the ladies - who are violently anti-communist - to uphold the right of free speech

Kiang's department has been doing very well. He has a number of undergraduates and we have just organised a group of "extra mural" people called the "Hung Tao Society". There were about 60 at the first meeting, all most enthusiastic. Paul Reading is president, Mrs F.M.G. Johnson Vice-president. They are to meet once a month, and pay a small fee. Kiang by the way has written to some people in China about your visit and I took the liberty of doing the same. Beatty has also written to his people - so I hope that you will find things well arranged, and will have a pleasant visit.

Marsh has taken on something new - an industrial survey of Montreal. The Board of Trade, at the request of a group headed by Baillargeon, were bringing on a man from the States. They met with some difficulties and Walter Molson and Cook arranged with Glassco and Dawson to take the job over - the Board of Trade standing the cost.

The Moyse Hall Entertainments were only two in number, the Lener Quartet was generally approved of, most people thought it the best thing we had had. Unfortunately - as usual with quartets, it was most appreciated after the event. Angna Enters packed the hall - some people thought her mediocre - some marvellous. In the whole I doubt whether these shows are worth the effort - they may be - but I am not sure that the fashionable audience is much use to us.

The childrens plays so far have had an increasing popularity. The first was

not much of a draw but Cinderella has played to two full halls and will likely draw another. I think we will be ahead of the game in spite of the loss on the first show.

Other activities of the Dept have kept us pretty busy - I am trying to work up a new scheme for next year and "surveying myself" without complete approval. However - one lives and learns.

I had a fine trip out west - and spent more time talking to people or rather in getting them to talk to me about the West than in saying much myself. I met a number of friends of yours - everyone is that in the West. and could not begin to count the number of people who sent you their kind regards.

The hockey team is very good, unfortunately our 3 freshmen, Crutchfield Farmer and McGill who are the best material cannot play against Varsity owing to the freshman rule. At present we are tied and the game on the 19th will decide. In the City league we are playing off with Columbus, tomorrow is the last game and Columbus has a 1 goal lead. The winner will play M.A.A.A. for the Q.A.H.A. championship and the winner of that will be in the Allan Cup playoffs.

Other student activities have been about normal. Millard Astwood has made an excellent President, quiet, sensible, and influential. George McTeer the 'solid citizen' has been the outstanding man in most ways.

The debating society put on a great show a motion of non-confidence in the present conservative government.

Collard Becket and Alexander were the gov't leaders, Stone, Lewis, and Goldenberg the opposition. With them sat Cyrus Macmillan and J. L. Ralston who is now practising here. There were a good number of students and about 250 visitors. The speeches were excellent - good enough for any campaign and the Gov't was sustained.

Arrangements for the Adams lecture series seem to be going on well, we are all putting in some work on it. Stanley has taken it much to heart and could not do more. Gordon Glassco and myself are helping him as well as we can.

As far as my knowledge goes everything seems to indicate that the arrangement you made for carrying on the business of the University was the best that could have been made. I have not heard a word of any trouble - things have gone ^{much} more smoothly than they did when you were away before. Of course we miss your initiative, and the University will not feel quite like itself until you come back, but Stanley has been very tactful and wise and helpful and I know that you will not be sorry for giving him such responsibility. I could certainly not have written to you like this last time that you were away and am only doing so now so that I may add if I can to your enjoyment of your trip in China. You will find plenty to do when you come back - for everyone is busy on the ten year survey.

By the way Beatty announced the pleasant information about your health at the Graduates

Smoker. It has now travelled all over Montreal and everyone that one meets says how pleased he is. It is splendid to feel that you are really off to a fresh start after such a siege. and no one is more delighted than the old soldier. By the way talking of old soldiers Billy the Gib is our new G.O.C. Charlie Armstrong I believe asked for the job and did not get it.

The Foreign Relations group has been working, but I have had to take a year's leave. there have been so many things to do. However I am enclosing you the report of last years efforts. In case you have not had it. It seems a pity that so much work should end in paper. I wonder whether there is no way in which the work of these groups could be made useful to the Government. I know that is not the ideal of the parent society but I cannot help feeling that we might be of more national value.

I don't suppose that you will have time to read any more - even if you have time to read so much as I have written. otherwise I would try to send you some more news.

I hope you will have a most interesting journey in China. and am quite sure that you will do much good there. The world needs a strong Chinese Government and we can help them, having no axe to grind. I understand by the way that the objection of the foreign legations to leaving Peiping is that they cannot take their armed guards to Nanking. If so it is interesting and suggestive.

Your fine speech at Delhi was published in full and we all felt how impressive the ceremony must have been. It was a wonderful thing to have such an opportunity to represent Canada again at such a time - and the "old corps" felt that they were represented as well as the Dominion.

Apologising again for my note book paper - and with kind regards to Lady Currie

Yours v. sincerely

W. J. Byrnes

For information
SIR ARTHUR CURRIE,

J. W. Ross.

Do not return.

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November 23, 1920.

FILE NO.

Mr. Graham Drinkwater,
Chairman Graduates Executive Committee,
McGill Campaign, Montreal.

Dear Sir:-

I wish to acknowledge with thanks and regret your kind invitation of the 19th inst. and regret that stress of work will prevent my being with you at your closing dinner.

From our experience here and elsewhere during this campaign I am more than ever convinced of the wisdom of Sir Arthur Currie's policy in keeping in touch with his Graduates. Where a Graduates Society has been kept alive; such as in British Columbia, McGill has been magnificently supported. On the other hand where Graduates Societies such as in Toronto here has been allowed to die from neglect, the work has to be done all over again.

I am going to make a constructive suggestion which I would appreciate your bringing before the Governors of the University. McGill should have a permanent official, attached to the principals' staff, and associated with the board of Governors. He should be an exceedingly high grade Graduate, with sales experience and a high degree of culture and address. He should be most carefully chosen,

Mr. Graham Drinkwater,

and should be paid a salary of at least five thousand dollars per year. He should have a title which would command the respect of any man of eminence upon whom he calls; such a title as Secretary to the Board of Governors, Assistant to the Principal, or some such title. His duties should be three fold. First, he should meet personally once a year every Graduate of the University, either individually or by groups at the various centres, ~~choosing~~^{using} the highly efficient method of a fraternal society organizer, and keeping the Graduate bodies thoroughly organized. Such a man should have a complete line of Graduate Societies thoroughly organized and in active working order from Halifax to Vancouver and in the adjoining American cities. He would meet them with stimulating information and meet them personally so that they in turn would be in active touch with each other; and the whole aim of the Graduates Organization would be to keep in touch with the university, and the university to keep in touch with them. That is absolutely vital if McGill is going to keep in touch with her Graduates.

The second branch of his duties should be to ~~claim~~^{obtain} financial contributions from industrial organizations throughout the country and from men of wealth who can be induced to take an interest in the most worthy of all Canadian work; that is the education of young Canadians. The right man would be able to approach successfully the various manufacturing and commercial institutions throughout Canada; especially American institutions with branch factories, the

Mr. Graham Drinkwater,

main line of whose policy is to become Canadian, in order to cultivate their Canadian ^{business} relations. Such a man should be big enough to meet the Presidents of these big concerns, be able to go to New York, and interest them in our institution, and if necessary bring them to Montreal to meet our Governors. This is a big work, but a big man can do it. In the same way he should be in touch with men of wealth, especially in Montreal, who are more naturally in touch with the university, and see that they become interested to a greater extent in McGill, and quite possibly at his suggestion, leave something to McGill when they pass away.

This is not fantastic; the same methods are being used the world over; especially in Art Gallery circles where wealthy collectors interested in art are complimented when it is suggested that at their death they might leave a ^{Picture} ~~figure~~ or a sum of money to add to the local collection. Practically the same method can be applied for our own purpose.

The third main branch of this official's duty should be to visit the Preparatory and High Schools of the whole country in the Spring, he should be in touch with all the head masters, and frankly should sell educational facilities to the young men who are about to matriculate. From actual personal experience, both in my own case, and in other cases, the average young man does not know what he is going to be and what College he should go to. Neither, as a rule does his father. Very often it is left to the boy himself, and because

Mr. Graham Drinkwater,

his chum is going to some university, or because some other university wins a championship in football, he finally decides the matter. The tremendous advantages that McGill can offer to young student is not known to them, and the whole thing is hit or miss. The result is that we have in our Preparatory Schools here, officials at Upper Canada, at St. Andrews and other Colleges who are Varsity or other university men, and who persuade their students accordingly. If ever an institution needed a sales manager to increase the students body, McGill does. Such an office would require probably ten thousand dollars a year to keep it up. I am satisfied that after the first year, not only would such an office be self supporting but it would contribute highly to the university's financial resources. It is perfectly hopeless to expect busy young Graduates to do this work on behalf of the university. Such work must be done by the university itself, and I can conceive of no greater work to be done. Such a work is really ^{as} ~~more~~ valuable to the university and to the young men of Canada than the founding of a new Chair.

I would ask you to submit this idea to the Principal and our Governors, and our Graduates' Body generally. I think it will be a matter of no difficulty for contributions to be received from the Graduate Body towards the salary of such an official, if the university feel they cannot afford to make this expenditure. When I see the amount of money spent in social organizations, absolutely produced by business methods, whereby our university men join various benevolent or social societies, I cannot see why McGill

Mr. Graham Drinkwater,

Club of Toronto cannot meet this demand.

With kind regards and feeling sure that you will have a good time on Wednesday night, and congratulating you highly on the magnificent success, which you Montreal and other outside Graduates have achieved in this campaign, and wishing that we could have obtained better results here,

Yours very truly,

A. A. Bowman

Seeks further material

December
Second
1921.

A. A. Bowman Esq., B.Sc.,
27 Wellington Street East,
Toronto, Ont.

My dear Bowman:

Thank you very much for your letter of yesterday. I have already read it, but have not the time to comment upon it as I would like. It is full of meat, and I promise to endeavor to digest it thoroughly. I shall write to you again.

With many thanks for this letter, and all good wishes to you and Mrs. Bowman, I am,

Ever yours faithfully,

Principal.

A.A.BOWMAN B.Sc.
M.E.I.C.
MECHANICAL AND ELECTRICAL ENGINEER

260 ST. JAMES STREET
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My dear General:

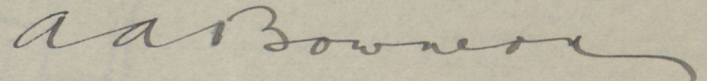
Your letter of the 2nd. inst. was forwarded to me here, where I will be for a week or two on some special work.

It is very good of you to treat my letter with such consideration; especially from a very busy man like yourself.

If there be anything of interest to you in this connection, I shall be glad to see you at any time.

With kind regards,

Yours faithfully,



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

AAB/SR.

A.A.BOWMAN B.Sc.
M.E.I.C.
MECHANICAL AND ELECTRICAL ENGINEER

~~260 ST. JAMES STREET~~
~~MONTREAL, CANADA~~

27 Wellington St. East,
Toronto, March 28th, 1922.

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

My Dear Principal;

I am overwhelmed with work these dull times, but have been doing a little sales managing for McGill along the lines of that long letter I wrote you sometime ago.

My old classmate Mr. E.W. Willard, 461 Main St. E. Hamilton, Ontario, has two sons, who, along with fourteen ~~and~~ fifteen other Hamilton Collegiate Institute men, have been headed for University of Toronto. Both boys are of the type that we should have, and have been distinguishing themselves in athletics, as well as in their studies. I am going to see them again, and am also going to see what I can do with their classmates.

I am writing my friend Dr. Scane for some information pertaining to the number of hospital beds available per medical student, which, to my mind is where McGill has such an outstanding superiority over her contemporaries.

I notice from clipping attached and from another dispatch I noticed the other day, in which Lower

Principal Sir Arthur W. Currie;

Canada College are trying to arrange some games with St. Andrews College in Montreal, in order to stimulate athletic interest in Quebec Preparatory Schools, that McGill is short of half-backs. McGill will continue to be short in half-backs, so long as practically the whole output of the Ontario Preparatory Schools goes to University of Toronto. Until McGill can help to bring Bishop College School to a more active condition, and until we can start a McGill University Preparatory School, in Montreal, similar to Toronto's School here, we will be under this handicap. Meanwhile, can something be done towards placing McGill's educational facilities before the Students of the Preparatory Schools in this Province. As you know, I feel that you will have to get a Sales Manager sooner or later, but perhaps something might be done in the meantime, by sending one of your Faculty around on a sales tour. Meanwhile, perhaps I can do something along these lines unofficially, between gasps.

Have you had a chance to look at Nicholas Murray Butler's book. It seems to me that he is on the right lines with regard to the relationship between the College and the University.

I am afraid that I have been so immersed in work that the McGill Society here has been getting very little of my attention; but we will be having our Spring Meeting sometime before long, I hope. I must see what

Principal Sir Arthur W. Currie,

they have been doing.

With kind regards,

Yours very truly,

A. A. Bowdler

March
Twenty-ninth
1922.

A. A. Bowman, Esq.,
27 Wellington Street East,
Toronto, Ont.

My dear Mr. Bowman:-

I thank you very much for your letter of yesterday and also thank you for your constant interest in all pertaining to the welfare of McGill.

We have discussed, more or less informally as yet, what you term a Sales Manager. I am quite sure your suggestion is on the right lines and I hope that in the not too distant future we can light on the right man. I have often been sorry that last year I found it impossible to speak to the students at Ridley College. In the future I intend to make particular effort to accept all such opportunities to speak at such institutions in Ontario. We can make the best appeal to such bodies when we have the Dormitories built here, and in that connection you will be glad to know that the contract for the gymnasium will be let shortly and that there is included in this building 95 rooms. That at least is a decent beginning.

I hope you are successful in influencing the sons of your old classmate, Mr. Willard, to come on here for their higher education. Our Medical School, as you know, enjoys a splendid reputation and I hope before the summer is over to be able to make announcements which will place us in a still better position to make us the premier Medical School of the continent.

A.A. Bowman, Esq.,

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I have read with pleasure a good deal of "Scholarship and Service" by Nicholas Murray Butler and when I finish the volume I shall return it to you.

With all good wishes and hoping to see you soon, I am,

Ever yours faithfully,

Principal.

A.A.BOWMAN B.Sc.
M.E.I.C.
MECHANICAL AND ELECTRICAL ENGINEER

377 Walmer Road, Toronto Ont.

15th June 1922.

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

Dear Sir Arthur,

For the last two or three years I have been thinking of leaving the Canadian Ingersoll Rand Company, either to start business for myself as an Engineering Manufacturer's Agent or to associate with another company to manufacture equipment along the lines of my own experience. Either course will enable me to use my experience and extensive connection to greater advantage than at present, although it will be a wrench to leave the Company after years of service and in which I have a financial interest. Naturally I am considering the matter with great care. Business associations are not lightly broken, and I wish any move to become permanent if possible.

Paralleling what the future may develop along these lines has been the question lately whether the need does really exist for work to be done in McGill and about which we have had some correspondence; and, if so, whether I could do justice to it.

As you know I have very strong convictions that there is a big work to be done; and that almost its whole value depends upon the man who does it. I am not sure whether my ideas are held as strongly by you and by your associates. Unless the need is borne in upon you all as it is to me, it is better to wait until time sheds a stronger light on the matter. Conviction is the only foundation to build upon. I have not discussed the question with any one recently, as I feel that it lies with you.

I am sure you will absolve me from any charge of trying to make

a position for myself. My experiences on The Memorial Fund campaign showed me the necessity of raising capital systematically year by year, supplemented by a campaign from time to time; and also the difficulty of keeping our graduate activity alive without direct University effort. But I cheerfully admit that like any other question where individual thought is exercised, the personality of the thinker becomes identified with it, and I believe it is a work I could do.

In your letter of March 29th you state that you have discussed informally such an official, and that in the not too distant future you may light on the right man. This has prompted me to tell you of my own plans as having a possible bearing on the situation. As I have stated, I may make a change later on although I have a permanency where I am, with all that it means. Two or three definite possibilities are developing, along the lines I mentioned. On the other hand, if there is a real work to be done in McGill; and if it be as big as I think it is, a man must be found, and perhaps I am that man.

As you see I am writing you very frankly, risking a charge of self interest, which, honestly, I do not feel. It will take time for you to solve such a problem; and, so far as I am concerned, it should be solved deliberately. Perhaps later on we may be able to talk the matter over. Meanwhile you can keep it in mind if you care to. I will appreciate your keeping in confidence my plans, although it will be quite all right to bring up my name among your associates if you think I might be a possibility.

Please do not hesitate to be frank about whether you think I might suit. Anyway here is something to think over during the summer.

With kind regards, I am,

Yours faithfully

A.A. Bowman

Major H. J. Woodside,

Ex Hon. Cor, Secy. OVERSEAS LEAGUE

Ottawa, Canada.

Personal.

OTTAWA, Ont.

23 June 1927

Dear General Currie;-

CHAS A BOWMAN.

I have much respect for you and your achievements for Canada, but why you should be associated with a nincompoop like the editor of the Ottawa Citizen, in this Peace Mission, is a puzzle to me. This man has been the laughing stock of Ottawa as an editor, and has boxed all the points of the compass in his writings. He is an Englishman, and knows as much of Canada as a kitten^{^HP} with the mentality of a 14 year old country schoolboy, before he enters the high school. He is one of that new breed of Englishmen, who argue everything, and never do anything worth while - the kind which is now undermining the old Country. He has a nice admixture of Uriah Heap to season his arguments. His editorials usually end in a smooth compromise - no violence !!

His history as given me by a high official of the Dept of Railways & Canals is this. When he got a position in that Dept. he employed his spare time in writing Communistic articles for some publication (in Canada I think). When^{^H or} Dr Reid's attention was called to these writings from his Dept. he proceeded to get rid of him. When he got his walking ticket, he went down to the Citizen office, where the clergyman editor had made such a fool of the position (succeeding Gen Edw. Morrison) that a change was necessary. What did these fool Southams do but engage him for editor, and he claimed to Hon. Mr Forke that he insisted on having carte blanche (so Mr Forke told me, but I said I did not think they were such fools as that), altho they have a record in Ottawa. Well since his installation there has not been any fad from Bolshevism to single tax, that he has not fathered. The Journal used to count up to nearly thirty fads of the Citizen.

The Southams sold the Citizen pretty much to the Christian Science cult, and they are about as mercenary as the old founder of that fad, which we get rammed down our throats as often as possible. Their treachery to ex-mayor Ellis, and support of that wretched tool - McVeity - after they had demanded the discharge of McVeity as city solicitor, disgusted many of us before the war. The Citizen was the only Canadian newspaper that I know of which strongly opposed Canada going into the war, and opened its columns to every "copperhead" writer to oppose it, until I had to take time in recruiting, to handle it without gloves in a letter in the Journal. I used to call it the Christian Science organ and Bolsh-evik organ, because it was always belittling doctors work, and denying that inoculation had saved any lives during the war !!

The Journal used to ridicule it, but during the war the Journal and Citizen bot out the old Free Press, and the great English dictator, E. Norman Smith, obtained practical control of the Journal, since which we are not allowed to say anything against the Citzn which is a good paper outside its editorials.

I have a habit of speaking out when it comes to anything affecting Canada and such a selection is a discredit to Canada.

June 24th, 1927.

Major H. J. Woodside,
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Major Woodside:-

Let me acknowledge receipt of your letter of yesterday with reference to Mr. Bowman, the Editor of the Ottawa Citizen, who is going to attend the meeting of the Institute of Pacific Relations.

I may say I do not know Mr. Bowman and have nothing to do with his selection. The only thing one must try to do is to control in some way the material which he sends out on his return.

Yours faithfully,

Principal.

AMERICAN GEOGRAPHICAL SOCIETY

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BROADWAY AT 156TH STREET
NEW YORK

February 4, 1929

My dear Sir Arthur:

I have asked the publishers to send you a copy of the latest edition of "The New World." It is almost entirely rewritten, with many new and additional maps. I hope that your time is not so fully occupied that there will be no opportunity to read what I have to say about some of Europe's present day problems. Should this aspiration of mine be realized perhaps you would be good enough to send me a paragraph of comment.

I see Shotwell occasionally. He has reason to be proud of the outcome of his first approach to M. Briand with reference to the Kellogg-Briand negotiations that have resulted so happily.

During a recent attack of the flu I had the opportunity of catching up with my scrapbook, and came across the photographs that we took on our four-day journey to the Canadian battlefields in 1919.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Isiah Bowman

Sir Arthur W. Curry,
Principal,
McGill University,
Montreal, Ontario, Can.

*ack.
Feb. 13/29.*

5th March, 1930.

Isaiah Bowman, Esq.,
Director American Geographical Society,
Broadway at 156th Street,
New York.

My dear Mr. Bowman,

Looking over some old correspondence I ran across your letter of February 4th in which you very kindly told me that you were sending me a copy of the latest edition of "The New World" (this was February 4th of the year 1929). I find that it arrived all right and I have taken it home with me, hoping to read it soon.

Please remember me to Jim Shotwell when you see him. I have not seen him since we were at Honolulu in 1927. Your mention in your letter of the successful issue of the Kellogg-Briand negotiations reminds me that a few weeks ago the Principal of one of our Canadian universities wrote to me urging that I support an agitation initiated by some American universities to secure for Kellogg the Nobel Peace Prize. I refused to have anything to do with that, believing that Mr. Kellogg had received all the credit to which he is entitled, inasmuch as his name will be forever associated with the Pact. You and I know that he had very little to do with the initiation of the negotiations, and in fact only took them up after some pressure. I wrote back to my friends and said that Shotwell deserved far more credit for the Pact than Kellogg. I should

have thought that the Nobel Peace Prize was one of those things in connection with which no one would dare to indulge in wire-pulling. If I were on the committee and any such representations were made to me, I should at once cross the man's name off the list.

with you.

I hope that all goes well

Ever yours faithfully,

October 13, 1924.

I. Bowman, Esq.,
American Geographical Society,
Broadway at 156th Street,
New York.

Dear Mr. Bowman:-

Thank you very much for the little publication you
sent me. I shall be interested in reading it.

Yours faithfully,

Principal.

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BROADWAY AT 156th STREET
NEW YORK

October 8, 1924.

General Sir Arthur Currie
McGill University
Montreal, Canada

Dear General Currie

Here is a little publication that may amuse you. It has the virtue of being brief and of dealing with an interesting period. Doubtless, to you it will seem of antiquarian interest after your long experience with modern maps during the World War.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Isaiah Bowman

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December 21st, 1923.

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

Dear Sir:-

At the present time this Institution requires the services of a Senior Officer to act as Assistant to the Superintendent and I am writing to enquire whether or not you have any one in mind whom you could recommend to fill the position.

The Institution is Protestant, but not denominational, and the boys, numbering 155, are juvenile delinquents committed by the Juvenile Court or placed there voluntarily by their parents. The work involves the reclamation of these abnormal boys by corrective, educational and spiritual training. The Institution is conducted on a cottage system, under a Superintendent and a staff of 30 male and female officers, including the operation of a school with instruction up to the Second Grade High School, and also a farm of approximately 200 acres. The location is in the foothills of the Laurentian Mountains, forty miles from Montreal, and on the Canadian Pacific Railway.

The position now vacant requires a man of strong personality, trained and interested in boys' work, of good education and Christian character. He must also possess good executive and administrative ability. A knowledge of farming is desirable but not essential. As this officer will be required principally for reformatory work which is the chief function of the Institution it is necessary that

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McGill University,

Montreal.

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he possess experience and qualifications which would enable him to be considered as a future Superintendent in the event of that office becoming vacant at any time in the future.

The Directors of the Institution fully appreciate the special qualifications required for the position and are prepared to make proper and satisfactory allowance in the way of remuneration.

As the matter is somewhat urgent, your early attention will be greatly appreciated.

Yours faithfully,

A. M. G.
Vice-President.

AAM/LJ

January 3rd, 1924.

Lieut.-Colonel A. A. Magee,
620 Transportation Building,
Montreal.

My dear Colonel:-

I am sorry that I have not before this acknowledged your letter of December 21st, but I had left Montreal for the Christmas vacation before it reached me.

At the present time I have no one in my mind to recommend for the position you mention, although this morning I spoke of the matter to a Mr. Yuill who came to see me. He may call upon you. I am unable to recommend him as having special qualification for boys' work, but I do know that he comes of a good family and that he had a creditable war record. I believe he was a student at McGill when war broke out and that his service was with the Pats and the 52nd Battalion.

Yours faithfully,

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January 8th, 1924.


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

Dear Sir Arthur:-

Would you kindly accept my sincere
thanks for your letter of the 3rd instant in connection
with an assistant to the Superintendent of the Boys' Farm
and Training School.

I note that you have no one in mind
at present whom you could recommend for the position, but
that you have spoken to Mr. Yuill and will be glad to see
him if he should care to call.

Yours faithfully,


Vice-President.

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