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July 31st, 1945

Yours very sincerely,

Dr. F. Cyril James,
Principal and Vice-Chancellor,
McGill University.

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