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OTTAWA, June 10th, 1924.

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Dear Sir:-

Your letter of the 9th to hand and contents noted. Mr. Smith made the representation to me to which you refer, respecting the division of the County of Pentiac and I later had the benefit of an interview with Dr. McMally of your town. He explained the situation to me fully and I have taken up, with the members of the sub-committee for the Province of Quebec, the question as to what should be done with the Abitibi district and I find that they too have had representations, principally from the local Member. who is anxious that the district should be carved out into a new seat, but opposition has developed to this from the Old Counties in the Province of Quebec, which, owing to the fact that Quebec has a fixed number of sixty-five seats, must lose a seat in order to make room for a new seat when formed. This is what is happening in Saguenay district where there are new 91,000 people and to whom one additional seat is being given.

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