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to be coming down to earth) and the 5 year period would seem to be about the time required for their cooling off. I had a short chat with MacNeil and he spoke very nicely of you, and as if they were counting on your weight at no distant date, he said that you would be heard from before long with all returned men backing up anything you proposed - or words to that effect. I did not tell him that many of us expect you to be the premier of Canada before long, whether you want it or not.

I have heard many comments on your Philadelphia speech and many people consider it to be epoch making. We enjoyed it very much and were glad to see it sent out so wide.

My wife has just come in, and sends her love to you and yours.