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July 11th. 1940.

Rt. Honorable Arthur Meighen,  
Senate of Canada,  
OTTAWA. ONT.,

PERSONAL.

My Dear Mr. Meighen:-

Your letter of July 8th. has reached me and, of course, I knew when I wrote you that it would be rather difficult for you to approach the opposition. A man of your skill and ability, and one whom the enemy fears would certainly put them on the spot in making any approaches in regard to our request.

Canada to-day is in a terrible situation. Most of our armouries are unoccupied and unguarded, men walking the streets who wish to enlist and serve their country, but there is nothing for them. Men in training at Petawawa have little or no rifles, they have not any compass, the only binoculars are some that have been borrowed or turned in, and the situation is desperate beyond the extreme.

I have offered my services, but, of course, I got the usual letter in reply. There are thousands like me, who are willing and anxious to do something, and in order to make myself believe that I am doing something I am getting out twice a week and drilling with the Home Guard. This, at least is some exercise and quiets the mind.

Churchill is going to win. He has got the nation behind him. He has got the real bulldog fighting spirit. He has certainly taken the right stand in regard to the French Fleet and our Air Forces during the last week have been doing

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