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The Roxborough,
Ottawa, September 25, 1929

Dear Mr. Stephens:

In the hope that I might find opportunity of sending something more than a formal reply, I have kept to one side, together with a number of other personal communications, your kind letter of congratulations, received some weeks ago.

The pressure of work ever since the National Liberal Convention, and the increasing number of immediate and future obligations, cause me to despair of being able for some time to come to send more than a line of personal acknowledgment.

Under the circumstances, may I ask you to accept this dictated note as an expression, though all too inadequate, of my very sincere thanks for your

kind thought in writing, and for the assurances of confidence and good-will your letter so generously conveys. They are appreciated much more deeply than I am able to say.

With kind personal regards,

Believe me,

Yours very sincerely,

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