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Rt. Hon. Arthur Meighen, P.C., K.C. 320 Bay Street
Toronto, Ontario

Dear Mr. Meighen,

I need hardly say what a pleasure it was to see you again yesterday. Your letter was waiting for me when I got back. Nothing about the book pleases me so much as your pleasure in it. Please do not speak of "gratitude" to me for it; the gratitude is all the other way about. I only hope that the book will do something to answer the disgusting lies with which you have so long been bespattered.

I am very glad to have your detailed comments on certain passages, and shall take due note of them for any possible second edition, though I hardly think there is much chance of that.

My aunt telephoned me this morning that she had again been talking with Mr. Pereira of the G.-G.'s office. He said that both he and Sir Shuldham had now read the whole thing, and were immensely impressed. They are getting a further copy for perusal in a higher quarter. They are disgusted that the Parliamentary Library has only two copies, and say it must get more! I keen Eden Look a copy away with him!

I have a list of about a dozen people or institutions I should be glad to have you send copies to on my behalf. Some you may already have dealt with yourself, e.g., Lawrence Hunt. I shall pick up some cards when I am home at lunch, and enclose them, and the list, with this. If you think the number exorbitant, just say so frankly, and I shall buy some extra copies (I get a one-third reduction, with, of course, a dozen copies of my own free).

I have seen the ballot in the Montreal Tramways strike, and it is as I described it.

Yours sincerely,

Eugene Torsey

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