

Oliver, I know that I can satisfy the Parliament of Canada that it has unwittingly done me an act of injustice, and I certainly would have done so before resigning my seat, had I not been given to understand that the report would not be adopted if I resigned and tested the opinion and judgment of my constituents. Before parting this time I would like to ask you if you can name ten members in the whole House of Commons who read all the evidence produced before the Committee. You know you cannot do so. When the report was passed by the House of Commons not one half of the members were in their seats, and I unhesitatingly assert that not ten of that number had ever read the whole of the evidence. Later on I shall deal further with this branch of the case and let the public know the reasons for the capitulation of the Minister of Justice and the length of time it took you to convince the sub-committee that it was better to adopt the report which Mr. Muckle in the *Globe* of May last characterized as *an infamous lie and a disgrace to the Parliament of Canada*.

Yours truly,

J. C. RYKERT.

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