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The Right Honourable Arthur Meighen,
House of Commons,
Ottawa, Canada.

Dear Chief:-

I shall report on North Bruce when I see you on Wednesday next. I must be here on Tuesday. Meantime I am satisfied that nothing is suffering. Clysedale goes into the Constituency on Monday.

Regarding finances: as I have said I think that there should be a Finance Committee for the Dominion, also one for the Maritimes, Quebec, Ontario, the Prairie Provinces and British Columbia. We would then at least know where we could get money and where we could not and where it was needed and how much. I think that the local Committees could and should co-opt men who are not Members of Parliament.

I told you that I would suggest an Ontario name or names. If Mewburn will not address himself to this important but disagreeable work I think C. W. Bell should be asked along with Nicholson. Hamilton is an important centre where we have influential friends. I think that Perley should be willing to interest himself in this important business - give himself, and get other Ottawa friends to do so.

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