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Dear Miss Mackenzie

You will be surprised to receive a letter from me. I left Ottawa yesterday to come on for an address I am to give on Wednesday night before the Domestic Bankers Club at Lynn on Industrial Problems and from Lynn I go on to speak on the Canadian Commerce Act, at the meeting of the Academy of Political and Social Science at Philadelphia. These organizations pay my expenses and give me a small honorarium, and

supplant something in prestige as well as inconvenience. The machinery suggested in the bill introduced by the Government is not unlike ^{that of} our Industrial Disputes Investigation Act. I cannot help believing that a similar measure would be as effective in Great Britain as it has been in Canada, and would in the long run contribute chiefly to the labouring classes, as has been the case with ours.

No words can tell you the sympathy I feel in your mother's illness.