

For the future it is of interest to record that he would be co-operative if new terms or different terms would have to be drawn up for the future.

In all fairness to serious Newfoundlanders who are studying the question of Confederation, these show that there is goodwill towards Newfoundland expressed by both parties at Ottawa.

It seems as if speed is not needed at present in a hurried attempt at Confederation. If Newfoundlanders will first appoint their legal representatives, the present terms or even new ones will be considered in the future after a period of cooling off and serious meditation on where Newfoundland's best interests will be. There is no incompatibility in adjusting her best interests with those of Canada and the United States with a government of her own people, first. Kindly return these letters when finished with them. You may publish them if you want to as of an official character. I remain,

Yours sincerely,

DR. L. J. JACKMAN

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June 21, 1948

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Dear Dr. Jackman,

Mr. Allan O'Brien has sent me your letter to Mr. Coldwell dated June 10, together with a copy of his reply.

This is to confirm that your letter and the subject it deals with, will be brought before a meeting of the CCF National Executive, on the week-end of June 26th and 27th.

Should any public statement be made on the subject as a result of the Executive's discussion, I shall send you a copy of it.

Yours sincerely,

DAVID LEWIS
National Secretary

June 21, 1948

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Dear Dr. Jackman,

On my arrival from the West a few days ago your communication of the 10th instant was brought to my attention.

I appreciate very much your interest in matters in relation to Newfoundland and I agree that the attitude of the Canadian people, and particularly our party, is important in this respect.

To answer your question, I may say that our party was not consulted with respect to the terms offered Newfoundland.

While there has been no formal decision with respect to them, I am of the view that the present terms would be respected if we were in power and Newfoundland