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by the leaders, among our opponents ~~in the~~ County, to do him to political death.

This feeling has been smouldering through these years, with the result, that, as we approach the possibility of another Federal election it is beginning to break out in a form which calls for recognition.

It is, in fact, that they want Foster to contest this constituency at the next election, and that so great is the cry for him, that unless they get him, many of them will fall out of the fight, and our chance of regaining this county be hopelessly crippled.

It may ^{be} that some of us have raised him upon a higher pedestal than he merits, but whether that be so or not, it is, at least, an indication of the sentiment which usually means victory.

Now while this feeling is fairly established among us, we naturally have made no move to publicly notify him with our aspirations until we found that such a move would be properly received by you, and my purpose in submitting this to you, is that you may be moved to pave the way at Ottawa for his reappearance there, that our nomination of him would be well received all round and that the wrong which we feel has been done him may be righted.

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