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Dear Mr. Meighen:

As the result of your magnificent and outstanding speech made at the Royal York Hotel last night, I feel that if I do my best to follow your political philosophy I will always be able to say that I did my best and gave my all in reference to every matter or policy that I might have to determine and then carry into effect. Your address was completely inspiring, and it was an opportunity of a lifetime to be privileged to hear you. I had but one regret.

I have tried for a great many months to go home on Thursday and have a chat with Father on my arrival in Kingston. If he had only been spared to live three weeks longer, I could have seen him tomorrow night in Kingston, told him the details of your speech, which would have given him happiness, to say nothing of the fact that for many years you were associated together as friends and members of the same political party. As things turned out, Father was deprived, and indeed it was his loss never to have known about last night's banquet.

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