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The Rt. Hon. Arthur Meighen,
National Building,
Toronto, Ont.

Dear Sir:

"A fool for Jesus Christ's sake" - that is exactly what I have been. For in connection with my rather large relief work, a large number of Christmas hampers have been supplied. This year, registering every family with the Christmas exchange, and arranging for as many as we could with interested firms, friends or Churches, there were still seventy families to provide for by ourselves.

One friend gave \$100.00 for this and another \$25.00. We went ahead to see that no needy family of our Church lacked a Christmas hamper.

I am now \$100.00 in debt, and these merchants are looking to me for the amount. To help my Church balance its budget, a drop of \$390.00 in salary was voluntarily accepted by me, this in addition to the 10% cut previously taken.

I am helpless, and only in my need I turn to you trusting that you may be able to come to my assistance.

Yours in our Saviour's name,

M. Stanley Elliott

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