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Ottawa, Sept. 6, 1924.

Honourable D.O. L'Esperance, Percé, P.O.

My dear Senator:

I have just returned from the Meritimes and find your letter of the 29th August. First, as to Gaspé, I was staying with Mr. Richard O'Leary at Rimonaki where Grattan O'Leary (no relative) worked as a young man for some time. He says that in those days Grattan spoke French well. This means he would not have much trouble mastering the language again.

I understand the difficulties against which we did battle in Rimouski, and not the least would be the speeches of Conservatives made against myself some years ago. Of course on the other hand the speeches of Liberals now in the Government, and supporting the Government, could be quoted with perhaps equal effect. The conduct of the Liberal party, and especially of such men as Lapointe and Cannon, is really the most dangerous kind of treason. The hope of ever getting a united country here disappears if men are to indulge in these base appeals and racial misrepresentations merely to

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