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*From The Premier of Ontario,
To The Prime Minister of Canada.*

TORONTO, January 25, 1941.

My DEAR PRIME MINISTER,—

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of January 8th and enclosures, with reference to the St. Lawrence Waterway and other problems relating thereto.

I regret to advise you that Dr. Hogg who has been chief advisor to the government on these matters suffered a severe injury and is now confined to the hospital. I hope that any discussion therefore can be delayed until he has recovered sufficiently to partake.

If, however, the matter becomes urgent I shall be only too pleased to meet your wishes and carry on as best we can without him.

Yours very truly,

M. F. HEPBURN.

The Right Honourable W. L. MACKENZIE KING, P.C.,
Prime Minister of Canada,
Ottawa, Ontario.

No. 25

*From The Prime Minister of Canada,
To The Premier of Ontario.*

OTTAWA, February 4, 1941.

My DEAR PREMIER,—

May I refer to your letter dated the 25th January, 1941, with reference to the St. Lawrence Waterway and to the problems relating thereto. It was with very great regret that I learned of the unfortunate accident to Dr. Hogg. He was the chief adviser to your Government, with regard to these matters, but he also made a very great contribution to all aspects of the project. Out of his long and extensive experience, Dr. Hogg was able to furnish advice and suggestions which were of great value, both to this Government and also to the interested authorities in the United States. I sincerely hope that he will make a speedy and complete recovery.

At the suggestion of the Attorney-General, the Legal Adviser of this Department, and Mr. J. F. MacNeill of the Department of Justice, went to Toronto last week to discuss certain aspects of the St. Lawrence negotiations. After exchanging views with Mr. Conant and with the representatives of the Hydro Electric Power Commission, who had been