April 13th, 1926.

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My dear Mr. Beatty:-

I am deeply grateful for the compliment implied in your letter of yesterday suggesting that if the Kiwanians approach me to speak at their International Convention I should make an endeavour to do so.

Jet but I am afraid it will be impossible. I have just told George Campbell that I will accede to the request with reference to the Quebec Church Property Commission. I am assuming that this will take a good deal of my next spare time in the next few months. Furthermore, in June I have to speak before a large Medical Convention here. I also go to Middlebury College to give the Commencement Address, while on June 22nd I have promised to speak to the New York Bankers' Association at Quebec. Frankly, I do not want the trouble of preparing an address for the Kiwanians.

Yours faithfully,