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PERSONAL.

Dear Mr McKenzie King,

I was so very sorry that your vacation and mine coincided and that I was therefore unable to have the pleasure of seeing you in Ottawa, during my recent visit to Canada.

Mr Coats very kindly sent me the best information at his disposal on the question of ^{emigration for} electrical engineering, and had I not been so very occupied, I should have written before to thank him for his letter.

I am all the more sorry that I did not have the pleasure of seeing you because Mr Marks - (the Secretary of the Jewish Emigrants Information Board a Society which is the outcome of my visits to Canada, and in which I take a deep interest) - had the privilege of an interview with you, and from the account which he gives of it in his Report, I can't help thinking that you may have got an erroneous impression of the objects of our Society.

You are reported to have said that, "as a Canadian," that if a man is worth his salt he would go out ^{to Canada from England} on his own account without our assistance. I have no doubt that you have seen as much as I did - and more - of the suffering and waste of money entailed upon immigrants by their ^{looking} stopping first at ~~to~~ the places where there ^{was} no opening for them. The primary object of our Society is to find ~~these~~ openings. The second

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