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VANCOUVER, B. C.

November 22, 1909.

DEAR SIR:

Re your Queries of November 18, 1909.

The law is a good one, begotten in wisdom and an honest attempt to deal fairly with both classes.

It should be enlarged or extended so as to embrace all classes of conflicts between employers and employees where they are numerous enough in any given business to warrant the necessary expense of a commission so costly.

There is room in the wording and arranging the various articles and clauses, for simplification and clearness. As I have not the bill before me I cannot refer to any part in particular.

In my opinion there is no higher and more necessary form of sensible and far-reaching statesmanship than a manly fearless attempt to settle labour disputes. Strikes are a curse to any country as well as to the employers and employees and they settle nothing permanently. These Bills with sufficient scope and hacked up by the executive power of the country, must when wisely enacted and executed produce the best results attainable, in the present state of economics.

Yours respectfully.

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