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so far as the Imperial Government agreed to hand over, and did hand over to them certain lands. He takes up in short the petition for Confederation and the provision made in the B.N.A. Act for the creating of new provinces, the Ruperts Land Act and the old Dominion Lands Act of 1892, if I remember correctly. His conclusion is that the Dominion Government never became the owner of the lands in its own right, but became the trustees only of all lands including school lands for the new provinces to be later established. The right to set up institutions and to govern them, etc., until the new provinces are created is not disputed.

I am not going to write you further because it is possible that you have at some time given some attention to this line of thought, or it may have come to your attention in the last year when what I am writing about is at least not novel to those who are interested in the subject. When I go East, as I shall in January some time I am going to take the liberty of bringing this subject up with you.

Yours very sincerely,

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