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that they are unwilling to organize for canvasses as in the earlier days of the war. A serious situation faces the Fund if we have to continue next year and the year after. We want to have a full discussion of the report of the Sub-Committee, by a representative gathering of the Executive. This will be the most important meeting of the year - perhaps the most important meeting in the history of the Fund - for we have to reach a definite decision in order that all our branches may be notified in time to adjust themselves to whatever new course of action may be thought necessary.

If then, it is at all possible for you to attend this meeting we wish you would do so. If not, please send a brief statement of your personal views as to how the Fund should be maintained after the end of the present year.

I remain,

Yours sincerely,

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Honorary Secretary.

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