

*Mr King & Industrial Relations V*  
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Box 800.

Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King,  
Parliament Bldgs.,  
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Mr. King;

Immediately following our telephone conversation of yesterday afternoon, I took up with our Sutton friends, the matter of a meeting at that point. They hesitated at having a meeting at so early a date as the 27th, as they were anxious to have one after the middle of November. I assured them that no matter ~~we~~ how anxious we might be to meet their wishes in connection with the date of the meeting, we simply had to be governed by circumstances, and ~~so~~ it was a case of having you on the 27th, or not at all, ~~and~~ that there must be an immediate decision. They then agreed to the 27th. Of this I advised you in my telegram of last evening.

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With reference to your movements/in this district. It has been intimated to me that Mr. David Aitcheson of Stouffville is anxious to have you as his guest on the 28th. inst. Dr. Walter Sangster has also mentioned to me that he would like to have you as his guest at tea, after the Stouffville meeting, and before you leave for the Aurora meeting. Of course you know the dispositions of the two gentlemen whose names I have mentioned. I know that Dr. Sangster would not wish to do anything that might in any way embarrass you. I might suggest to you that you accept Mr. Aitchenson's invitation to take lunch at his house on the 28th. inst., and that you accept Dr. Sangster's invitation for tea. However, this is for yourself to decide.

I have been informed that a voter, who resides at Schomberg Jct., (and who has promised to attend your meeting at Aurora) and who is an ex locomotive engineer, has been making some remarks that cast a reflection upon the ~~seriousness~~ <sup>seriousness</sup> of your professions of sympathy for labor interests. I imagine that ~~the~~ suspicion in the mind of the ex railroad man, arises out of that old Grand Trunk strike of many years ago. You will perhaps remember that I wrote you in August 1919 informing you of the attitude of ~~a~~ the C. P. R., conductor towards yourself, criticizing your conduct as Minister of Labor, in connection with that strike. I also remember the inside information that you gave me with reference to the same matter. I think it might be well for you to make some reference to this matter in your Aurora speech.

Enclosed you will find a complete list of the officers of the various Liberal organizations in North York. I

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