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The Right Honourable Arthur Meighen, K.C., The Senate, OTTAWA, Canada.

Dear Mr. Meighen:

Many thanks for yours of the 14th. No one represented the Bank in Court. Someone, however, must have been posting them as I understand they knew that the case was coming up and also knew the day that the appeal was to be argued. I would appreciate it very much if you will speak to Mr. Rhodes and if there is anything else I can do from this end I shall be very glad if you will let me know.

The reception of the P.M.'s recent speeches among the rank and file has been very favourable. A certain section, however, who protest interest in the Country's financial position (their own being in the background of course) can see nothing but crisis and ruin resulting from measures which will increase expenditures. You will doubtless encounter that spirit in the Senate Chamber. I think it would be a good idea to have someone write a concise article of a historical nature connecting the Conservative Party with all great reforms and progressive legislation such as the Factory Acts, etc., Such material would be very useful in combating the suggestion that the Conservative Party has gone Socialist.

I have just had a letter from Alex Martin, Dominion Rubber Company, Kitchener, Ontario. He says that he has sounded out his people regarding the Trust Company and does not believe there is any chance of doing anything at the present time. He suggests, however, that I should discuss the matter with his people the next time I am in the East.

With kindest regards, I am Yours sincerely. Ρ. lang

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