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Vancouver, August 10th, 1918

Dear Mackenzie King,

I take this the first opportunity since getting on terra firma to tender you my congratulations. I am doing so as you will understand from the personal and not from the political point of view. From the former angle I was exceedingly glad to see you the recipient of such a distinguished honour, and now you will read my review of your book with greater interest than you otherwise would have done. I think I have a copy with me and when I get to Victoria I shall, in that case, send it to you. Without any reference to political affiliations I want to say that whoever has the direction of affairs during the next five years has the greatest task ever allotted to a Canadian. It was a great honour which fell to you last week, but with your honour comes tremendous responsibility. You have all my best wishes.

Yours faithfully,

*R. Osmeil*

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