Ottewa, February 12, 1915.

H. S. Southam, Esq., The Ottawa "Citizen", Ottawn.

My dear Southam:

I should like to express my deep appreciation of the editorial which appeared in Wednesday's "Citizen". In the nature of a comment upon an editorial in the Montreal "Star" concerning myself. I had seen the "Star's" article - most of such articles come sooner or later to one's attention - and thought only of ignoring it. I never dreamt of it receiving attention beyond possible reproduction in a large number of the Canadian papers. It was naturally, therefore, somewhat of a surprise and a great source of pleasure and satisfaction to read the generous defence of myself which appeared in the columns of the "Citizen". I should feel additionally gratified if you would convey to whoever wrote the article, or accept for yourself if you should happen to be the author, my sincere personal thanks for the kindness.

Yours sincerely,

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