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Mr. P. C. Larkin,  
11 Elm Avenue,  
Toronto, Canada.

Dear Mr. Larkin:

I have received here this morning the copy of the Toronto "Saturday Night", and the copy of the Toronto "Star" so kindly sent by you to me at Ottawa.

I am leaving this afternoon for New York, to return next week to St. Louis, Missouri, and Kansas City, Kansas, with the expectation of being back here at the end of the week, and to be in Chicago at least a further ten days. The way business engagements have been shaping themselves, I feel, were I so to desire, about all that would be necessary to keep every moment of my time occupied the remainder of the year would be to go from one to another of the industries that are making overtures at this time and assist them in the installation of plans of representation of employees such as have been drafted for several concerns. This phase of changing industrial relations has taken on the aspect of a movement in this country, and is destined to have very far-reaching results.

I am delighted with Gadsby's article. The only disappointment I experience in reading an article of the kind is the thought that a man possessing talents such as Gadsby possesses should be willing to enter the ranks of the enemy at the most critical moment in the fight. While all that he says of Sir Wilfrid is delightful to read, had he stood by him in the last contest as he should have done to be true to his own convictions, his words would carry much greater weight at the present time. However, it is indeed gratifying to see the lost sheep returning one by one to the fold.

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