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Montreal, February 19th., 1926.

Private and Confidential

Dear Mr. Meighen:

Mr. J. E. C. Bombray is giving a dinner on Monday evening to a large number of friends, at which I will be the guest of honour. His first intention was to invite you to be present to say a few words in regard to the organization, but I have represented to him that you are so busy in Ottawa that it would no doubt be asking too much to come down at the present time, and the same object will be accomplished by your writing a letter to

Mr. J. E. C. Bombray,
Advocate,
92 Notre Dame Street East,
Montreal.

giving your reasons for not being able to attend and thanking them for co-operating with me in the organization of the Conservative Party.

I can assure you that the real workers of the Conservative Party are behind you in the Province of Quebec, and they have shown a willingness to help and co-operate with me to an extent that I had not even anticipated. I have now before me a fair inventory of the situation in the Province, and the real work is going to start. I have discarded affairs which would have distracted me from this important work, and will devote, from now on, practically all my time to the organization. I intend in the very near future to visit the principal centres

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