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-- no allusion has been made to the attitude taken by the preceding administration. It was thought that it would be very difficult to refer to this in any way which would not embarrass the government. There is also attached a ring binder containing the earlier correspondence with all the Provinces and a summary of the principal points involved.

-- Mr. McLarty has left with me, to be shown to the Prime Minister, a copy, which is attached, of a letter which Mr. MacKinnon received today from the Deputy Attorney-General of Alberta, which indicates that the attitude there is not so promising as he had gathered from the earlier telephone message. I have, at the Prime Minister's direction, spoken to Mr. MacKinnon about the advisability of sending a personal and private letter to Mr. Aberhart in advance of any formal approach. Mr. MacKinnon's view is that this would be very helpful. Such a letter could be sent by air mail, and delay avoided in that way.

JWP

J. W. P.

*thought it not so well to add paragraph re unemployment relief, which appears in letter to Ford bank, a letter being sent Aberhart later*

*As per, as I reported, showed me from New Brunswick today, to say his presence would give them comfort.*

*I have been worried to see if further with Ford bank - making more of course of his part to this own measure - which relation Duke of Wellington does not add to the situation in any way*

*I have also to see letter to Mr. Aberhart.*