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FROM W. CHAS. WILSON.

Dec. 1, 1909.

Dear Sir:

Absence on a missionary journey delayed my reply to yours of Nov. 18th.

I think that the present Act is about as good as possible. I can suggest no improvement. I am of opinion that it might well be extended to all employments.

It might be well to fix a date limit for the decision. Employees under friction are suspicious of delays. "Within" say "10 days of the investigation the decision of the Board shall be made public".

Not too much must be expected of the act & strike will not down - but the board gives breathing time and conciliatory influences - which work well for both parties. For instance - on one board - out of 33 points in dispute we were enabled to get the management and mentotarrange, I think, 26 of the points amicably among themselves, leaving the remainder for the Board to deal with.

The act seems to be alright - but the agitation on the one side and the heedless manager on the other side are the clogs on its wheels and the strike producers.

With much regard, I remain,

Very truly yours,

W. L. Mackenzie King Papers

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