

Permanent address: Ottawa, Canada

Dictated at Virginia Beach, Va.,

April 21, 1940

*Dear Mr. Lynde:*

Please forgive me for not having immediately acknowledged the due receipt of the framed photograph of my grandfather; also the photograph of the Queen and Queen Mother which accompanied it and, in addition, the other photographs especially ordered.

I wanted, in writing, to tell you how very much I appreciated not only your generosity in presenting me with the pictures of the Queen and Queen Mother but also how excellent I thought are the pictures themselves, and how very much pleased I was with the frame and the photograph of my grandfather and the other pictures of him which you also supplied.

I did not open the package containing the framed picture of my grandfather until just before the pols began to close on the afternoon of March the 26th. I then placed the picture on my library table feeling not only confident that the results would be pretty much what they proved to be, but also having a keen desire to share the result of the victory as largely as might be possible with the one to whom more than any other I believed it to be primarily due. No one will ever make me believe that the greatest political victory in Canadian history, coming as it did at a time of war, under a Liberal administration, did not have its association with the early struggles for freedom in which our forefathers played the part they did.

King, Rt. Hon. William Lyon Mackenzie (MG 26 J 7 volume 20) William Lyon Mackenzie King - Correspondence re: William Lyon Mackenzie (grandfather) - "L" n.d., 1906-1943

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