

Ottawa, May 19th, 1934.

The Right Honourable A. Meighen, P.C., 347 Bay Street, Toron to, Ontario.

My dear Arthur :-

Your letter of the 18th, with enclosures, received. I have seen Mr. Esling and he is wiring west asking to have things held up for a few days. What he wants is for you to see the Prime Minister, and see if anything can be done to help Planta.

I proposed to Mr. Esling that he should go to the Prime Minister himself, but he refused to do so, and said he would not ask R.B. for anything. Apparently, he is not very friendly to him.

General McRae's mother-in-law died the other day in Vancouver, and they are taking the remains to Minneapolis. He will not be back here until the 26th, so I could not discuss the matter with him.

I have just had Senator Planta in to see me - he has just left - and I am afraid his business affairs are in very bad shape. However, he claims he has all the documents from the office here.

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