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Right Honourable Arthur Meighen, House of Commons, Ottawa, CANADA.

Dear Mr. Meighen: -

I have your letter of the 4th instant and I had not written you as I had reported in more or less detail to Doctor Tolmie.

I do not think there is any situation in Regina now in so far as Dr. Anderson is concerned. There was prior to the Convention, but everybody is behind him now and anxious to assist in redeeming the fortunes of the Party in Saskatchewan. At least this is apparently the case and I am satisfied is also actually the case.

One of the reasons for some dissension in Regina was that there are a great number of Federal Conservatives here who have been giving more or less of a passive, if not an active support to the Dunning Government, accepting it absolutely as the lesser of two evils so far as Government was concerned in Saskatchewan, having in mind the fact that the alternative would have been a Farmers' Administration. This faction in our Party, including such men as Bastedo & Jonah, did not feel that it was wise to do much Provincially. There was another faction that resented the idea of Anderson being chosen in view of the fact that for years he has been a Provincial Civil Servant and quite erroneously they made the suggestion that he might not be a good Conservative and that his faction was due to pique on being demoted in the Provincial Civil Service. Then again there was some resentment on what was considered machine work on the part of Saskatoon. However, I think everything is quite smoothed over now.

I told Anderson at Moose saw to look me up as soon as he came to this City as I could give him necessary information as to whom he should approach etc., here, and when he comes here I can assure you I will do everything I possibly can to assist him.

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