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Ottawa, July 3, 1925.

Messrs Hall, Sparling & Sparling,
Winnipeg, Man.

Dear Sirs:

Referring further to your telegram of 21st June, I had the matter taken up immediately with friends of mine in the Senate and strongly urged an amendment along the lines suggested by you. The attitude of the Senate, that of the one party being the same as the other, was strongly against admitting any liability or taking any action which would admit of any liability, moral or legal, in respect of Home Bank depositors. From what I can learn there was no serious effort when the Conference met to argue in favour of either moral or legal liability, or to discuss the merits of the Senate's action in reducing the claim to a purely relief and compassion basis. It seems to me though that the claims of a cestuis que trust under a large deposit were just in the same position as if the money had been put in in the names direct. I am sorry this matter was not brought to my attention when the Bill was first in the House.

Yours very truly,

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