0693126335 The Rt.Hon.Arthur Meighen. House of Commons, Ottawa. Dear Mr. Meighen; -In view of the possibility of a Dominion Election in the near future and the necessity of strengthening our organization in Kings County for the Provincial Election, which is very likely to come sometime this year, we desire your assistance in securing the return to the County of our former member, Mr.A. Dewitt Foster, who we believe is the man most capable of carrying the seat in the next Federal contest. There has been an insistant demand among not only the rank and file of our Party but the people as well and any opposition that may have been created by past events has entirely disappeared save in a few cases where the opposition is mainly of a personal nature. Although this influence is'a minor quantity we desire complete harmony if possible and feel confident that if you indicate your satisfaction with Mr. Foster through some utterance in the House of Commons during the coming session it will cement our Party and help to secure him as our candidate. We understand from rumors that notwithstanding his splendid success in the Colonization Department of the Canadian National Railways the Liberals have practically forced the hand of the President and that Mr. Foster has been let out of the Service. In view of Sir Henry Thornton's protestations that there is no politics in his management of the Railway this treatment as a reward of seven years of unqualified success is a scandal that merits caustic rebuke from our entire Party. Such a rebuke by yourself and other leaders would restore Mr. Foster to his rightful place in the Party of which we feel he was so unjustly deprived by your predecessor, We voice the conviction of the Conservative Party in Kings County that if Mr. Foster can be secured he will be elected by a good majority even if Hants be added by redistribution. He has a host of friends and the Party will rally enthusiastically behind him. Moreover he will take a large Liberal vote from hundreds who feel that he was badly treated by his Party leaders. We sincerely hope that we may have an expression of opinion from you at an early date indicating your co-operation in the best interest of the Party in Kings, N.S. Very sincerely yours. fis Ribary Grunning John Hoss MRIGHET PAPERS, Jeries 3 (M.G. 26, I, Volume 117) PUBLIC ARCHIVES ARCHIVES PUBLIQUES CANADA