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Ottawa, 22nd Nov. 1895.

Hon. Sir Charles Tupper, Bart.,

High Commissioner for Canada,

London, Eng.

My dear Sir Charles:

I doubt not you are acquainted with Sir Charles Rivers Wilson, the new President of the Grand Trunk Railway, and I understand from Caron, who had an interview with him--unfortunately I was absent at the time--that he is strongly Conservative, and promised to give what aid he could in the coming contest in Canada. I was thinking it would be good policy--if you think well of it--to see him and secure his active aid in support of the Party in the elections which must come off at no distant date.

I have very little fear of the result of the elections, if we could confine the issue to the trade policy; but this unfortunate Manitoba School Question looms up at every turn, and I doubt not we shall be confronted by strong opposition from those who take extreme viewsupon that matter. On the

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