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O t t a w a,  
4th March, 1937.

Dear Mr. Duchemin:

I hardly ever read an editorial in the "Post-Record" but what I feel like saying "Amen". Never have I appreciated any, though, quite so much as your recent article on "The Nadir of Depravity". It does seem strange to me that the press of this country do not seem to realize the fundamental and absolutely vital principles at stake--all of which are flouted with brazen vulgarity by the Premier of Ontario. This Province at present is not fit to live in. The last outburst was made within the walls of Parliament and was, therefore, privileged. Anyway, under the compulsory jury system which we have in Ontario in libel actions, there is, in matters within the currents of politics, practically no libel law at all. You can realize with jury panels under the charge of such a Government as we have now in the Province, the chances of getting a jury verdict and not a disagreement would be slim.

I got a whole lot of gratification out of your editorial. It has created a good deal of interest here and copies have been passed around.

You may be quite sure I will be on hand at any investigation Hepburn wants to bring on, but one has no rights in these investigations whatever. He has no protection such as a man under charge in the Courts has. The ordeal of 1934 was just heart-breaking--a disgrace to this Province. However, I can go through it again, and can assure you and other friends that you will not be ashamed of the outcome. It appears that the next time it will be under charge of an official of the Hepburn Government whose own position will be at stake.

Anyway, my very sincere thanks.

Very truly yours,

Mr. H. P. Duchemin,  
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