

February 15th, 1932.

The Honourable Hugh Guthrie,
Minister of Justice,
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My dear Minister,

I am today signing a petition on behalf of one Wilkinson who is sentenced to be hanged next Friday morning. I believe that some time tomorrow somebody from Montreal has an appointment with you, when the petition will be laid before you.

I have gone into the case and have talked with some who had intimate connection with it. I believe that both Edgett and Wilkinson deserve to be hanged. Edgett has already received a sentence of imprisonment for life, although I believe he is the more guilty of the two.

The only reason I have signed this petition is that it does not seem quite fair that the rich man, Edgett, gets off, while the poor man, Wilkinson, swings.

Ever yours faithfully,

Principal