

first of your well-wishers all over  
the Dominion to tell you that this  
is a "consumption devoutly to be  
desired"! There are various reasons  
why & their persons, some of them  
rather personal perhaps. I shall  
therefore ~~not~~ defer going into them  
until some more clearly defined  
present itself, possibly when you  
in turn may have time to tell me  
of the incident about the late Mr. ~~Keenan~~  
my pseudo-relative, of whom I  
am speaking?

Meanwhile however, while I follow  
the usual or conventional form of  
congratulating you, my own preference  
would be to congratulate Canada  
more so again so far as to  
ensure the service in a national way  
of the who has so much to bring  
to the councils of the Nation in these  
times of world stress & difficulty.  
There being no other as Statue of Liberty

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