

that nothing should be done before the Senate has acted. I think it is still possible that the Treaty may be laid over although the Committee on Foreign Relations by a strict party vote has reported the Treaty adversely. I sent you a copy of my speech in our House and find that it has been well received by both parties in the States. Putnam was greatly pleased with it, and wrote congratulating me warmly. I have told Thompson that you had obtained the S. C. M. F. for him, but that he must not mention it to any one until it was made public. Would it be taxing you too much to ask for a C. M. F. for Foster? I had a telegram sent by a friend of Sherman's to him saying "The Treaty was adopted in the Canadian House of Commons without division after a long and exciting debate. The leading Liberals all denounced it as a complete surrender."