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QUEBEC, August 4th. 1924.

Right Honourable Arthur Meighen  
Leader of the Opposition  
Ottawa.

Dear Sir:-

Yours of August 2d. received.

I note what you say about my candidature, which is quite right.  
My policy is to do my best to place a local man in the field and  
will accept an outsider in a case of extreme necessity.

Strong pressure is at the present time exercised upon  
P. Emile Gagnon, the lawyer.

I am leaving Quebec tonight for this purpose.

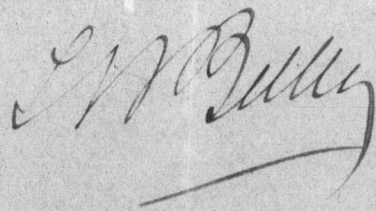
About Armand Lavergne:

On Friday a meeting of a few friends was called and Mr. Lavergne  
said he could not help us without having a promise from you that  
you will, when in power, establish the bilingual stamp !!  
and other guarantees about the two languages in this country.

I answered that your sentiments and your public decla-  
rations are well known; I added why should we ask for such en-  
gagements in such delicate matter, in a bye election.

If you cannot come to Quebec invite him to come and see  
you at Montreal.

Truly yours



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