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organization in precisely the same position at the end of that time as they are at the present moment. I told Mr. Butler when he was speaking to me that I would probably be questioned in Parliament about the situation at Springhill, and that I, therefore, wished to be accurately informed both as to the present position and the Company's intentions, and what he said to me was given with the understanding that I might repeat his statement as a responsible Minister of the Crown. You have, therefore, I think the most positive assurances that I believe it is possible to give as to the attitude of the Company and the probable outcome of the present dispute.

The other phases of the situation are just as I wrote you in my last letter only that we are now in the middle of winter instead of as in the beginning. I really feel that you will be not only doing the United Mine Workers a great service, but will be rendering the working people of Springhill an even greater service, if you can in any way succeed in bringing this unfortunate difficulty to a speedy termination.

With kindest regards,
Believe me, always,
Yours very sincerely,

(Sgd.) W. L. MACKENZIE KING.

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PS. I sent you tonight the following telegram which I now beg to confirm:-

"Have written you today. Situation at S still as described in last letter. Representations made to you by F wholly correct. Outlook for future no different from that already outlined."