Rt.Hon.Arthur Meighen, Leader of the Senate. Ottawa, Ont.

New Westminster, B.C. March 2nd. 1932.

Dear Sir: -

Allow me the pleasure to congratulate you and also the Dominion of Canada on their selection of a Leader of the King's Senate. The country can now look forward to getting a measure of justice under your regime. You have a high and difficult road to travel, but you are equal to your exalted position.

On July 27th. 1931, I had the honor of submitting for your consideration a sheaf of correspondence numbering about 32 pages and amongst same was a copy of letter from your good self dated Ottawa, Nov. 29th. 1924, also one dated Ottawa, April 14, 1925, please find both copies enclosed.

Senator Taylor put my case before the Senate in a very able manner indeed, on Tue.May I5, & 29.also on Wed.June 20, I923. Thur. May 8, Thur.June 5, Tue.June 24, I924, and at whose instance my case was opened and put before the Senate, he exposed the frame up and rascality— that the then Officials in the Vancouver Office put up against an honorable man.

Senator Taylor should be persuaded to complete what he so readily took up & championed a few years ago- yeu are, I know, alive to the circumstances; he promised to have it up as soon as our party got in power. The present time is oppertune- right now. Just fancy the injustice my family and I have suffered through the injustice of the Liberal administration, and they knowing & acknowledging that their own party were in the wrong, as per COPY of Senator Taylor's letter to me -dated I5th.Feb.I923 would lead one to infer, same is herewith enclosed.

Mr Meighen might I solicit you to press Senator Taylor to take up this case of mine, and mete me out a measure of justice. Let him carry out the first paragraph of his letter for a start, and dispose of said costs at once- then go after my case, and win it, as he has often promised.

You told me to get the facts before the public in your letter dated Nov.29th.I924, I would have done so on several occasions, but Senator Taylor prevented me from doing so, you may recall I tried to get it before the meeting in St.Patricks Hall New Westminster when you were present at one of your meetings, Senator Taylor had his reasons for using his influence from stopping me from getting my story before that meeting, and elsewhere, he has not played the game with me and I don't intend to let him away with it.

Why did we lose so many seats in British Columbia last Dominion Election- because the electors had lost confidence in the men that was selected by the party machine to represent them - so the people turned them down- I am sorry to say that the Members that have been carrying our Banner for a great many years in Parliament have not played the game with their supporters hence their overthrow at last Dominion Election, our Member Mr.W.G.McQuarrie got defeated by a Liberal with a very large majority- there's a reason and it was not altogether Mr. McQuarrie's fault- but the man that was handling him and it is my opinion that if he gets put up at next General election he will go down to defeat.

I might say that we have still got a Liberal Port Warden in Vancouver, and also a liberal, Port Warden in New Westminster, the same remark applies to dozens of other jobs, in my line, and I and several other Conservative workers cannot get a look in- the former gents did not help to put our Government into power. I herewith solicit you to use your influence towards securing for me a measure of justice. In the meantime there is many positions where an experienced ship master like myself could handle, I'll take command of Tug-boat, Coaster, or Foreign-Going Steam, or Motor-ship, I have commanded in all four classes of vessel mentioned.

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