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February 25, 1929.

Mr. Errick F. Willis,  
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Winnipeg, Man.

Dear Errick:

I have your letter of 20th.

First of all permit me to tell you how very badly I felt this morning on reading in the paper the news of the death of your father. As you know, I am one of those who has always had a very high opinion of your father's abilities. His speech on the tariff issue at Boissevain in 1921 was not only a courageous utterance but was about as well reasoned and forceful a presentation as I had heard in the Western country. Indeed I think it was the best. His fidelity to the Conservative Party and unwavering loyalty to myself are also memories that will always be happy. Please accept an expression of my sincerest sympathy, which kindly extend to your mother.

I know Mr. Sweezie in Montreal, but very slightly. Do not think it likely that he did anything on behalf of Nesbitt-Thomson direct. Saw Mr. Nesbitt on this subject last week and he denied in the most absolute terms to me personally that anything was given with his knowledge. However, it might have been given even then without his personal knowledge. I would not like to write Mr. Sweezie on the subject as I do not know him well enough, and I am sure he would only give me a stall.

The other names mentioned in your letter are all Greek to me. I never heard of any of them. I wish I could help Col. Taylor and yourself in this matter, but I don't see any way that I can do so. You seem from here to be getting on splendidly, and certainly you are exciting tremendous interest throughout the country.

Yours very truly,

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