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J. Valentine Esq,  
The Secretary of the  
Central Ontario Regional Veterans' Alliance.  
Rooms 311-312. Kent Building,  
Toronto, Ont.

Dear Sir,

I thank you for your letter of December 1st: for the interesting account of the work which the Regional Veterans' Alliance has been able to accomplish, and especially for their offer of co-operation in the work of unity. Naturally, I am extremely gratified by the desire of the Alliance to become a part of the Canadian Legion of the British Empire Service League.

Of the Veterans which the Alliance represents, The G.W.V.A., The Canadian Legion, and the Tuberculous Veterans' Association Headquarters have, of course, already signified their intention to join the Legion. The Army & Navy Veterans Branches must, I presume, await directions from the Headquarters of their organization before actually joining. Is this so, or do the branches you represent mean that they have made up their minds to declare for the Legion?

Can you say definitely that the other Associations you name in your letter have made up their minds to join the Legion?

I am much interested in your account of your business arrangements, and the manner in which you apply your funds to the work, and especially in your statement that you watch over the interests of the "unattached" men generally, as well.

I am sending this acknowledgement of your letter through Comrade Sergt. A.E. Moore, Chairman of the Dominion Executive Council, who is managing the business of the Legion, and who will, I am sure, agree with me in a cordial acceptance of your offer to co-operate with us and carry on your work as heretofore within the Legion until the National Dominion Convention which we hope will be in March (and which, of course, we cannot pledge in advance) is able formally to take cognizance of your valuable proposal and arrange your status within the Legion."

Yours very truly,

(Signed) PERCY LAKE.