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Dear Mr Mackenzie King,

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I have reproached myself day after day since your appointment as a Minister of the Crown, for not writing you and wishing you every congratulation on so distinguished an advancement. I need hardly say that I am peculiarly delighted that you have been singled out for high office chiefly because of your rare qualifications to serve the country with credit and high purpose. It is no idle flattery or vain talk when you are told that your appointment is one that will maintain the strength of the soundest Government Canada has had for nearly a generation, at least a decade. The *New Advertiser* is most approving and commendatory while your political friends here are warm in their praise of Sir Wilfrid's wise selection.

I hope the good people both Conservative and Liberal of Waterloo will see that no stupid

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