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Ottawa, September 25th, 1926

My dear Mr. Nelson:

I thank you very much indeed for your kind letter of the 24th. The result was very disappointing, as our friends were confident from coast to coast. The activity, organization, etc., which characterized the Liberal party in the latter days of the campaign was in very great degree, a reflection of unlimited funds. Their source is not hard to trace and the effect was mainly among the non-English speaking vote. I was not only disappointed but discouraged by the vote of our French-speaking electors, as I confidently expected better. However, there is nothing to be gained by repining, and the Conservative party must face the future with courage. There never was a time when the real Canada depended more on that party than it does to-day.

As for myself, I have definitely decided that the best interests of all concerned, and particularly the Conservative party itself, can best be served by my retirement and of this I have given notice in the press to-day.

I thank you cordially for the long years of consistent support you have given me, and our association in political life will always be cherished as an honour.

Very truly yours,

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