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Dear Mr. King:-

The splendid recent victory accorded you by the citizens of Canada is an achievement as pleasing to your many friends at Bethlehem as it must be to your fellow citizens, and I hasten to extend to you my hearty congratulations as well as to tender my best wishes for your future success.

Surely there never was a time more vitally in need of sound leadership and counsel than the present on the many important National and International questions which are before us, and we all feel confident that under your guidance will be found a beneficial and lasting solution of these grave questions.

Your attainment to leadership in the Liberal Party has been commented upon most favorably by the Press in this Country which, I assure you, has been a source of great satisfaction to your many friends in the States who have been diligently following the campaign.

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