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320 Bay Street, Toronto,
December 17, 1936.

My dear Colleagues

First of all I wish to acknowledge receipt of a couple of boxes of fine Nova Scotia apples. We have been working hard at these ever since their arrival, and I for one never seem to get enough of them. Thank you very much indeed.

Have read the Herald's account of conditions among the fishermen of the Nova Scotian coast. It is terrible, and one wonders what can be done to meet the situation--that is, outside the realm of charity. Certainly these people have to be taken care of. What bothers me, though, is to find some way of making their lives worthwhile for the future. They are just about as hardy, brave and intelligent a class of citizens as a country could boast of, but it does not look as though there was going to be any way of keeping them at their present occupation.

Things are about as usual here. They are a whole lot better at the Pacific Coast. In fact, business never was so good as it is in British Columbia now. Even at that, the new Mayor of Vancouver was elected on a platform of reducing the interest on their debt.

Sincerely yours,

Hon. Senator W. H. Dennis,
Halifax Herald,
Halifax, N. S.

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