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My dear Dudley,

Thank you very much for your kind and cordial note of March 3. I expected nothing from the professional politicians but a hostile reception to my suggestion that they give up playing politics and get together to try to solve the serious problems now confronting this country. To me, the manner in which they spend their days at Ottawa is pitiful in the extreme. The day on which I spoke at Ottawa was spent in a discussion of the propriety or advisability of granting the franchise to Indians - as if such a measure could affect in any way whatever the prosperity of this country. The next day most of the afternoon was given over to a quarrel between Bennett and Mackenzie King, in which both of them acted more like children than like men holding very important positions in one of the most critical periods in our history. The Liberals, I take it, think they have Bennett on the run and that victory is theirs in the next election; whereas I do not think Bennett cares a tuppenny bit whether he wins the next

election