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Sunday

My dearest Old Philanthropist

Thank you a dozen times for the book. I've been staying in the house today with a cold and so I have disobeyed your instructions about when to read Stevie Seacocks instructive treatise. Whether the "hints to travellers" is necessary for my welfare or not is a question. I believe I have felt just like asking a dozen people the same question "Where do I change?" but I suppose I've heard it ~~for some time~~ every day for months from some old body on the train. If you were to give the story to a conductor he'd probably want to have copies of it on the back of every seat and it would probably save him a few quiet swears.

I was up in Collingwood yesterday morning. Last night, up there, I was feeling on the blink and the old girl at the hotel was quite an angel. She brought me up some hot lemonade and all but tucked me in for the night. She had an idea that I had better stay there over Sunday but I broke it to her that I would have to go home to my wife but that I expected to be back in a month. — which ^{latter} is I am afraid just about what I told you, and the prospects don't look very good just now.

Mr. Bowman is going up to Sudbury tomorrow and I suppose he will stay up there for about a week or so. Meanwhile I will have to look after the affairs of the nation down here.

I get invitations from time to time to
go to (rather I 'sing eh!) places all over
the province which are never any good
because I can't control my migrations.

Good-night Loe I'm going to finish
this tomorrow. My think-tank has got
indigestion. // —.. —

More and more philanthropy. Now
I owe you about a dozen letters.
The book certainly "tickled my fancy."
I ~~will~~ read it to Bee if I ever get
"The Time the Place & the Girl."

I'm in Brantford now — just going
to telephone up to my forty-second
Cousin Adelaide Montizambert to
find if I can put in a girlie evening
for a change.
Considering that you were rather

wear, you made a much better stab, at writing a letter than I did.

You're not at all Orthodox. You'll be up for lese majesté, the first thing you know and besides, in spite of ^{you} you'll find that George V will take his Father's place just as well as King Edward took the place of Queen Victoria.

As to the question of Kingdom versus Republic I'm afraid I still can't agree. ~~and~~

Practically speaking, our Kings are carefully bred, educated and trained for one particular purpose and it is morally certain ~~if~~ when Kings are governed and trained as ~~they~~ ^{they} are now that a good ruler will be the result. On the other hand a popular choice may be the result of all ~~of~~ kinds of ignorance and graft combined. And he had never had an adequate training. No Madame T. "with the Government" in ^{these} cases.