## london. ont. June. 27/20

Dear In. Lotteau.

I had such a kind letter the other day focu m. Chréteen in which le mentioned your name ' It is possible that he passed my letter on to you. I had written about Lito papers relating to Canada's claim to the Northern Island's Sucause I has always feet a luce responsibility about them. Tous Barber has offered them to me but I hoste Saying that I thought stey should be placed smowhere in the public archives, but had news heard escartly what has been done with Them. I knew that orn. Harkin has believed then was smething in Stefannown's believed that the Canadian claim to sovereignty had not believe sufficiently established and That for three months he gave a lot of time to the matter. And before the first expedition Sailed Capt. Bernier spent about a first expedition Sailed Capt. Bernier spent about a week in son. Harkin's office, forug ones the recessary supplies, etc. for the lapsdition. Low is your own work foring? I hope you won. I have to do such a lot of digging after you ouce get into more recent history. In Chretien

knidly sent no the report on the bisangel Island affair and I see bos. Harken was also a leule modued in that. He was a heal Canadian. uterester in every their That was for the good of Canada. You might do a beographical Sketch of him sometime. I there you come across his developments - apret the tar sands for the Jaspa roads, and the uhlization of buffalo wool + Lides . He also ded a lot of work in buying to find a cheap substance for highway surfaces, and he a fon. Williamson worked many night- trying to get a three-dimensional pecture for movies - and ever so many more creative ideas, some of which, of course, came to nothing. both the eyes + the ears, aint what they used and busy. Shall be looking for your heart Chaples some day legards to you both Sweet Unabel B. Williams

MB Williams, 100 Ridout St. S. Apt. 609, London, Ont, to WF Lothian, 27 June 1970

Dear Mr. Lothian,

I had such a kind letter the other day from Mr. Chretien in which he mentioned your name. It is possible that he passed my letter on to you. I had written about the papers relating to Canada's claim to the Northern Islands because I had always felt a [full?] responsibility about them. Miss Barber had offered them to me but I wrote saying that I thought they should be placed somewhere in the Public Archives, but had never heard exactly what had been done with them. I knew that Mr. Harkin had believed there was something in Stefannson's belief that the Canadian claim to sovereignty had not been sufficiently established and that for three months he gave a lot of time to the matter. And before the first expedition sailed Capt. Bernier spent about a week in Mr. Harkin's office, going over the necessary supplies, etc. for the expedition.

How is your own work going? I hope you won't have to do such a lot of digging after you once get into more recent history. Mr. Chretien

## [new page]

kindly sent me the report on the Wrangel Island affair and I see Mr. Harkin was also a little involved in that. He was a real Canadian interested in everything that was for the good of Canada. You might do a biographical sketch of him sometime. Have you come across his experiments with the tar sands for the Jasper roads, and the utilization of buffalo wool & hides. He also did a lot of work in trying to find a cheap substance for highway surfaces, and he & Mr. Williamson worked many nights trying to get a three-dimensional picture for movies – and ever so many more creative ideas, some of which, of course, came to nothing.

I'm holding my own pretty well, Though both the eyes & the ears, aint what they used to be.

I do hope you & Mrs. Lothian are well. – and busy. Shall be looking for your next chapter some day.

With kindest regards to you both,

Sincerely Mabel B. Williams