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Mr. Ellison A. Neel, Attorney-at-Law,
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Dear Ellison:

Upon my return from a vacation in Florida I received a clipping of your statement in the Kansas City Star of March 17, in respect to the Prendergast machine, which Frank Burnap sent along. I read the same over most carefully and with the greatest of interest.

Knowing Kansas City as I do, it certainly took great courage on your part to come out so flat-footedly against the powers that be.

I am writing you immediately to let you know how much I admire and respect you for having the nerve to make such a statement. I have no question but that it was responsible for making many votes against the machine candidates. Although in the last election you and your friends were not successful in overturning this machine, I have no doubt but what the final result will be the same as in New York City where Tammany at last has been put out of business.

I do not know when I will next be in Kansas City, but promise myself the pleasure of looking you up when next there and hope that you will do the same should you ever be in Ogdensburg. Wishing you the best of success in your practice and with good wishes to you personally, I remain

Sincerely yours,
Albert P. Newell.
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