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My dear Mr. Lodge:-

I saw Mr. Newton on Sunday and learned from him that he and Mortimer Y. Ferris, a civil engineer of this place, had bought the Harris lot on which the dam is located at the foot of Eagle Lake.

Mr. Newton has received some communication from Mr. McKim, in which it was suggested that he co-operate with other shore owners of the lake in the construction of a new dam, and he seems to have taken some offence at this.

He seems to have an idea that he and Mr. Ferris have a right to control this dam as long as it is on their own land and was originally constructed there for the purpose of water power. He thinks that their property would be more valuable without the dam, leaving out of the water the land that is flooded when the dam is in.

I did not get from him any satisfaction, excepting that he said he would see Mr. Ferris and he and Mr. Ferris would come to my office the next day to talk the matter over. They did not come, but Mr. Newton telephones me saying that he had not been able to see Mr. Ferris, but thought they would like to go out to the lake and look things over before coming into the office. He thought they might come in to-day, but I have not seen them.

I think they are disposed to stand on whatever legal rights they may have, but they are somewhat in doubt as to what they are.

I have received a letter from Mr. C.C. Alden of the Buffalo Law School. He expresses himself as in favor of enforcing the rights of the shore owners.

As soon as I get a conference with Newton and Ferris I will write you again.

Yours truly,

(signed) Frank B. Wickes.