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My dear Mr Lodge:-

Had a letter from Mr Seint dated Decr 30<sup>th</sup> in which he states he wrote the (C. Commission as follows "I suggested that they at once order owners Ferris & Weston to construct the dam and add that any claims insist on damage suits for injury caused by failure to restore this dam or build a new one unless they give satisfactory assurance that they will repair the dam under direction of Com. or that the State will at once build it, suit will be filed against the owners of Lot #1 Paradox tract."

I quote the above to keep you advised of matters as I hear them.

Please write me as follows:- "Nothing new casts the dam question & between you & I think Nickles will be a poor man to go ahead with the case, he is attorney for the F. P. & C. & I don't think he will push the case at all." Something ought to be done early in the spring, there is only a narrow channel through the old outlet & at spawning time the fish will go right through. Why can't Mr.

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Lodge get some lawyer in Albany to push the matter. These two scamps won't do a thing to right the outrage unless someone forces them to it.

~~Mr. Wickes~~ If Mr Wickes should be attorney for the J. P. Co. he would incline to favor Mr Newton rather than ourselves. During your interview in Ticonderoga after the holidays, I would suggest that you put the question to him directly as to his connection with the J. P. Co.

Should it become necessary to file suit against the offenders we would of course not want an attorney affiliated with the defendants.

Trusting you may soon be able to determine a decisive position in this matter I am

truly yours

C. L. Luby Secy. Treas.