E. V. Bodwell to J. J. Hill.

Believes that there is a misunderstanding re his candidacy for the election in Victoria. States that he wrote Sutherland on Sept. 12, [1901] as follows: "If I should take up public matters...I would not think of attempting the change at all unless I had about that sum of money." [\$25,000 mentioned previously in this letter]

"In due course of time I received a reply from Mr. Sutherland stating that the matter had been submi ed to Mackenzie and Mann, and was quite satisfactory to them...

that Mr. Mann would sr , the letter to you." States that he late had word that Hill agreed.

Asks Hill what his recollection of the matter is.

Bodwell states further: "I was defeated, but that circumstance is wholly attributed to the fact that Mr. Mann did not keep his part of the arrangement. If he had stayed away from British Columbia everything which we had planned would have been carried out." General correspondence by date