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My dear M.P. Matthews,

I am sending you under separate cover a copy of my full article in it and a copy of the liberal programme I told you about when I saw you. It will probably interest you to hear that we have decided (the group here who drew up the programme of a union of 7 other people) to launch a Democratic Union to function of which will be to put out intelligent, factual propaganda in the Faëbian type on S. African problems with a view to educating the public broadly on intelligent liberal policy. This union has been instructed to call a national conference of people of all shades of liberal opinion with a view to but to see my strength this possibility of peace I think.

I am entirely interested in this line of action because I feel that it is absolutely imperative that we should get native policy not of the homesteads I think...
when it was brought in into the field of practical political
endeavour. The situation remains hopeless unknown so
long as two present alternately back that we have no
political party representing the liberal view on this
matter. I think you all agree that this is the only
sound thing to think for.

The third is that I believe the second line 2
advance of the one in which you are apparently
already launched, namely self help alone the line 2
education - group enlightenment. Now isn't any doubt in
my mind that the Bantu people must begin to gain
fact for themselves if we are to be able to carry the
sluggish for a recognition of their rights much further.

I say advance much further because I'm satisfied
that while the Natali have felt worse in many directions
the things do get a little better here there. The fee, it
The broadening support for Native education, in
Supposing statements from surprise, equality for
agricultural development, prison reform etc - but above
all I see it in this industrial field. I'll be
intended to come at the Trade Union Conference in
East London in April year to support Mr. Nkrumah.
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Parlament unless in their efforts to get better wages and employment conditions. Subsequently, drew up a memo
for the Mayor of the Town Council setting out the facts
as I knew they would not be able to get them themselves.
They have written back in acknowledgement to say that
they are willing to support me in all my efforts and
participate with me in a delegation to the Prime Minster.
That is my sole indication of a fair, equal, changing
situation. But I am certain that the real long step
forward depends on the people themselves. Regarded
become vital is that in a measured, intelligent
basis, and I am satisfied that preparation of that is the
essential [8]. Of those who call themselves the leaders
of the people, that, you may remember, was what I said
that jump at Stompdcline. It is what I want every one
more firmly every day. I see how, from
my own on issues a certain length by which they
get the people to make a statement of their own
we can win but without that we are upon temerarious
with failure. These for this reason I urge the
women to organise. With South African women begin to
talk to the problems of their home and their children.
Sulina, the campaign will begin to build.

So education at this moment is the key and I hope your small circle effort will be a great success. It will entail endless work and worry, but it is worth it. I shall be glad to keep where I am as so much time has been taken to interfere — although I think we can if we can just make it that we do respect the personalities. Many people too act interfere to loosen us so many Europeans almost instinctively do.

From Balaclava the steam deck I found him very interested in your scheme but I think he is not in a position to form a new organization as he is already running a very successful dealt society which he is in a position to use to an advantage. If you will carry on it is an idea but it must

Incidentally, my good success, Mr. Keppel Jones, who is largely responsible for the initial efforts behind a new political party is building up an age society for the Africans name that government.

Dr. deals specifically with Native Question not an
will find it useful to know about. I am sure the essential idea of the cooperation of all groups is clear. I am implication. I suppose patience and interference. We may find people who appear serious or amenable. I am all such mental changing. We shall not make the mistake of trying to meddle with your personal or your group connection.

I would be glad to know if you think I might speak in the sort of way I have written to you when I go to the Teachers Conference in Feb.? Will you be there?

I have asked Mr. Sachs, editor of The Guardian in Cape Town to send you some copies of our paper which I think is pretty good. It blends pro union even causes without any specific brand being given preference, and it is essentially non-colonial.

I thought you might like to see it.

I am so very glad to see you. I wish I was able to meet you. I am almost able to understand the influence you are exercising.

With very best regards from us both.

Yours very sincerely,

[Signature]