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TORONTO DIVISION
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INTER-OFFICE
CORRESPONDENCE

Dr. Robert A. Kehoe.

Dear Dr. Kehoe:-

We appreciate your letter of September 24th., covering the subject of water contaminated with gasoline and would have replied sooner but for the fact that due to the reticence of the Shell Oil Co. of Canada, Ltd., more detailed information has been slow in arriving.

Our Mr. MacEwen gives the additional details:

"At one of their plants one of their pipes carrying their regular gasoline sprang a leak and 200 gallons of gasoline escaped before the leak was noticed. The well in question is some 300 feet from the spot where the leak occurred, but the ground in between is sand, or quicksand, and apparently the gasoline is slowly seeping into the well. They have already pumped the well once, but apparently as much gasoline has again run in, and they expect to have trouble with it continuing to seep in for some weeks. At the present time there is about an inch and a half of gasoline on top of the water.

"It is not being used for human consumption at the present time, but is required for the farm cattle, and the question is if this will likely cause poisoning of the cattle."

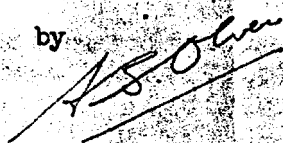
The gist of your letter has been made known to the Shell Oil Co. of Canada, Ltd.'s Division Manager in London, the district where the difficulty occurred, and he appears to appreciate the possible serious consequences.

Further developments, if any will be made known to you.

Yours very truly,

J. N. FitzGerald.

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CC. to Mr. Lewis.

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