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Give us relief, if we could show a grant from Harris for it upon a brief & valuable consideration & which I did show very clearly to Judge Kellogg who seemed greatly interested and took the papers and said he would read the brief <sup>just of authorities</sup> and the complaint with great care. He said that he had never had such a case before & that he would give it very careful attention. As soon as I receive his decision I will inform you. As you are probably aware, this was not the trial of the action, it was merely answering their objections to our amended complaint, to keep us from getting before the Supreme Court for a trial of the action. Of course these demurrers & other "pettifoggings" objections put in by Mr. Dudley have to be met and take as much thought work & time as a trial. These have to be expected in all closely contested cases, but when we get before the trial court, as we surely shall, we will then have our innings.

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Dear Mr. Steed,  
Copy Eagle Lake 11/8/14

Yesterday at 10 I was in Port Huron before Justice Kellogg at Special Term. I hired Alanson to take me in his auto & he was present at the hearing at the Judge's chambers. I was heard at length, and then Dudley got off his "old yarn" about Newton's having been "ordered by the State to take out the dam," which I promptly denied on the strength of the Commission's letters to me; saying he was ordered to build a new dam. I put in all the arguments covering irreparable injury, prescriptive rights, and the grant in writing by Harris to Mr. Steed & other owners in 1900 founded on each subscription for building the structure. I had hoped Justice McLaughlin would be sitting because he had promised in July to

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I have just rec'd the \$10 check of  
Mr. Fitzgerald endorsed by you, But  
have not as yet received the steel +  
Hiram Co's \$20 check from Mr. Luthy.  
Hoping that we shall get a favor-  
able decision from Judge Kellogg, &  
amc with best wishes

Yours Very Truly  
Peter Flint.

Private Notes by A.R.

Punctuation, underscoring etc.  
in the Original. Copied Verbatim.  
What does the Trial Court mean, another  
couple of hundred? Do we have to go  
beyond this court before we get any  
relief? Does this decision which is  
yet to come from Judge Kellogg finish  
the \$20 total promised + paid and  
still give us no decision as to the  
Lake Level? If this is so, then Edm.  
Rungt quits right now as Plaintiff.  
Copy to Luthy, Hurd + Fitzgerald