Ennismore Bay
19th January 1886

Dear Mr. Clark,

In fulfilment of a promise I made you in Dublin that I would let you know whether you had any chance of successfully contesting the seat for Wellington in the House of Assembly. I now have to inform you that the people here and I may say mainly throughout the Election are most decidedly in favour of a local man, and in consequence of that, Mr. S.W. Forrest, Esq., has been asked again today and he has given his Consent to Stand for Wellington. I think this will meet with the approval of a very large majority of the people of the District.

Yours faithfully,

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to judge so that the will be returned unopposed. As I feel sure that any opposition this action would be futile. These taken the earliest opportunity to convey to you these informations as I should not like you to be drawn into a false position, as one which would not be likely to result favorably as far as you are Concerned.

I concluded here repeat that I should like to see you in your present instance as far as Wellington is concerned. I am sure you could not be any possible success. I say this after thoroughly considering the wishes of the people.

Yours very truly,

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