

\*

KNOWING THAT WHATEVER WE ERECT HERE,  
TODAY, WILL BECOME, ~~THE~~ IMMEDIATELY HISTORICAL  
I ACCEPTED IT AS A CHALLENGE TO CREATE  
A MONUMENT TO TORONTO WHICH ~~IS~~ <sup>will be</sup>  
FOREVER RELEVANT. IT MEANT <sup>means</sup> TO TAKE  
SCULPTURE <sup>out of</sup> FROM THE CATEGORY OF  
DECORATION - ~~FOR~~ <sup>of</sup> THE CITY'S ~~STREET~~  
CORNER TO A SYMBOL AND A SCULPTURE  
WHICH PARTICIPATES ~~IN~~ IN THE CITY'S LIFE.  
TO DO THAT, THE SCULPTURE, WHICH  
MUST BE VERY "PUBLIC" <sup>\*</sup> (~~GOING BACK TO~~  
~~INDIAN TIMES~~ A MEETING-PLACE TO ONE  
<sup>BUT</sup> ALL THAT SCULPTURE HAS TO BE ALSO  
VERY PERSONAL SO AS TO SPEAK TO

(2)

ALL ~~THOSE~~ <sup>those</sup> WHO WERE NOT BORN IN TORONTO BUT CHOSE IT <sup>as their</sup> FOR A HOME,

[~~MY CLOSE WIFE AND~~ <sup>?</sup>] I CHOSE TORONTO

MANY YEARS AGO AND TORONTO ADOPTED  
and my very best work was done here.

MR. ~~AND~~ THIS IS ALSO A ~~VERY~~ RATHER

PERSONAL ANNIVERSARY ~~TO~~ be MODESTLY

ADDED TO MR. BANDEEN'S AN CROWN

LIFE PEOPLES' GIFT TO T.O. AS IT HAPPENED

MY FIRST SCULPTURE IN CANADA WAS DONE

20 YEARS AGO ON MOUNT ROYAL IN MONTREAL

~~NAMED "OPTIMISM" (I.E. OPTIMISM MAXIMUM) -~~

~~(WHICH IS EVERYBODY'S FEELING... ISN'T IT?)~~

TODAY IT'S ~~AND~~ MY OPPORTUNITY TO

GIVE THANKS IN THE FORM OF

ONE OF MY VERY BEST, MOST SIGNIFICANT

③ SCULPTURES WHICH WAS CONCEIVED IN ONE  
INSPIRED MOMENT WHEN SCULPTOR AND VIEWER  
BECAME ~~WERE~~ ONE AND THE SAME AND A DREAM  
IS FULFILLED,  
SCULPTURE IT

THERE ARE MANY SYMBOLS TO  
"MEETING-PLACE"

MY PERSONAL ONE IS THIS: THE SINGLE  
BODY  
ONE HERE REPRESENTS EVERY "ME" AND "I"

HERE — THE "TRIPLE-ONE" REPRESENTS THE  
COMMUNITY, THE ONE IS REACHING FOR THE  
GROUP AND THE GROUP LEANS TOWARDS THE  
SINGLE ONE, TOGETHER THEY FORM  
A SYMBOL FOR A "PASSAGE" (OF TIME,  
OF PEOPLE AND A "MEETING-PLACE")

\*

AS OF TODAY THIS SCULPTURE IS  
ALREADY HISTORICAL AND WHEN TORONTO  
WILL CELEBRATE ITS <sup>SESQUI-</sup>DOUBLE CENTENIAL

④

THE MAYOR OF THEM WILL POINT TO  
"MEETING PLACE" AS AN EXPRESSION BY  
US OF OUR TIME AND AGE AND  
CELEBRATION.

THANK YOU

KR