

Later in the day Dr. MacDiarmid himself came to see me in my office and made the same statements to me. Meanwhile the three members of the delegation had told me they felt perfectly sure if I would agree to accept the nomination as the Liberal candidate in a by-election that the Liberals of the constituency would be glad to have me run in Glengarry, and they believed they could assure me that there would be no doubt of the result. They believed that there might even be the possibility of an election by acclamation. The visit came just about the time I was obliged to return to San Francisco to sign, along with my colleague the Minister of Justice, the Charter of the United Nations. I told my colleagues in the Cabinet of what Dr. MacDiarmid and members of the delegation had said to me. At the same time I made mention of other constituencies from which offers of a seat had been secured, and said I would leave it to them to decide for which constituency I ought to seek election. When, some days later, I returned from San Francisco I learned to my delight that it had been decided that I was to seek election in Glengarry constituency, that Dr. MacDiarmid had agreed to accept an appointment under the Crown - not a lucrative one, but one sufficient to disqualify him from continuing to represent the constituency, thereby creating a vacancy, which would necessitate a by-election