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know it is not always easy to find a suitable man and perhaps Macdonell would fill in nicely until you get a man suitable in all respects and whose probable tenure of office would be long enough for him not only to institute new policies but to see them firmly established.

I intend going home for the week between Christmas and New Year's, though it is possible I shall not be in London.

With all kind wishes, I am,

Yours faithfully,