

*Mr. Stewart* Please let Mr. Macleod see the cancelled cheque, then if all right have engraved by Secretary of State's Department. - I will send to you tomorrow

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To His Excellency *without fail, for signature*  
Major General the Rt. Honourable The Earl of Athlone, *reading*  
K.G., P.C., G.C.B., G.C.M.G., G.C.V.O., *is short to be*  
Governor General of Canada. *addressed by the*

Your Excellency:

On behalf of the Government and the people of Canada, I have the honour to express to Your Excellency the great pleasure of <sup>present</sup> all that you, today, have assumed the duties of the high office of the representative, in Canada, of His Majesty the King. *Plan return this week 20-6-40*

We welcome Your Excellency most warmly <sup>to</sup> this Dominion. With confidence and pride, we view your presence in our midst at a time of such grave concern and great moment to all the nations of the British Commonwealth, and to the free and freedom-loving peoples of the world.

The arrival of Your Excellency and Her Royal Highness the Princess Alice in Canada brings to our minds happy memories of the visit of Their Majesties King George and Queen Elizabeth. We need not assure you that amid the grave anxieties of the months which have since passed, Their Majesties have been constantly in our thoughts and prayers.