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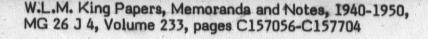
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Your Excellency:

On behalf of the Government and the people of Canada, I have the honour to express to Your Excellency the great pleasure of all that you today have assumed the duties of the high office of the representative in Canada of His Majesty the King.

We welcome Your Excellency most warmly in 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.



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