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Parliament at Westminster, find an appropriate setting in these love for country-Side, we surroundings. King greatly enjoys the contacts which his home in the country enables him to share with many an old settler, and in the company of friends who come to visit him from time to time. He is fond of nature and loves the country-side.

I admired his simplicity and dignity when he met some youngsters playing on his grounds, and put them at their ease in a moment, talking to them like a friend.

I have never met a public man with such a degree of personal politeness as Mr. King shows every visitor. A man of 70 who waits at the door of his house till the car with the visitor has left is not often found, even outside the realm of ministers of state. This captivating politeness reminds me of Roosevelt. Both have the delightful habit of encouraging a visitor who is more or less embarrassed in front of power by nodding their heads and smiling approval to his speech.

To be alone with Nature, to enjoy the pastoral scene of his meadows, to be near the sound of running vater, this is what this active man needs. "Under the sometant strain inseparable from politics, I have found quiet, and life in the open, what one most needs in order to get through with the work one has to do."

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