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The Department of External Affairs announced today that Viscount Swinton, Secretary of State for Commonwealth Relations of the United Kingdom, accompanied by Lady Swinton, is scheduled to arrive at Montreal on Friday, October 1, to spend three weeks in Canada. He will be welcomed at Dorval airport by Sir Archibald Nye, the High Commissioner for the United Kingdom, and by Mr. H.F. Feaver, Chief of Protocol.

Viscount Swinton's visit to Canada follows similar visits to Southern Rhodesia, New Zealand, Australia, India, Pakistan and Ceylon, which he has undertaken since his appointment in November 1952. Among the other offices which he has held in public life since 1920 are those of Colonial Secretary, President of the Board of Trade, Minister Resident in West Africa and Minister of Civil Aviation.

Immediately on arrival at Montreal, Lord Swinton will proceed to Ottawa for a two day informal visit, arriving at Rockcliffe airport at 5.00 a.m. Friday. While in Ottawa he will stay at Earncliffe, residence of the High Commissioner, and will call on the various United Kingdom offices located in the capital.

On October 3, he will depart on a tour which will extend to the Pacific Coast. The cities which he will visit are as follows:

Edmonton	--	October 3-5
Vancouver	--	" 5-6
Victoria	--	" 7-9
Banff	--	" 10-11
Regina	--	" 11-13
Winnipeg	--	" 13-14
Toronto	--	" 14-16
Ottawa	--	" 16-20
Quebec	--	" 20-22
Montreal	--	" 22-23

On his return to Ottawa October 16 for an official visit, Viscount Swinton will be the guest of His Excellency the Governor General and will consult with the Prime Minister and other members of the Government of Canada.

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