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Sir Arthur Currie G.C.M.G., K.C.B., Lt.D.
Dominion President "Last Post Fund"

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Dear Sir Arthur:

The Hon Mr G. H. Bowlin M.P. (Speaker of the Dominion House of Commons) in his position as one of the Supreme Council of the Knights of Columbus of this Continent, has asked me to inquire of you, if it would be possible, during the approaching great convention of the Knights of Columbus of this Continent to have a wreath placed by the supreme directors on the base of the Cross of Sacrifice standing in the Last Post Plots & overlooking the military burial grounds around.

The thought came originally directly from the Supreme Knight, Mr James Flaherty of Philadelphia U.S.A. who desired to place a wreath to commemorate the sacrifices of the Canadian soldiers & to hold a simple ceremony. It was suggested that the Last Post Ground with its monument would both be appropriate for such an occasion - It has been suggested that it should be to the "unknown soldier" but the details of the nature of the ceremony, beyond the general idea of the commemoration of the Canadian sacrifice in the great war, have in no way been studied.

The date suggested would be either Sunday August 5th or Monday August 6th next - both dates very near at hand. I am entrusted with the privilege of asking you whether such a plan is agreeable to the "Last Post" & if so would the "Last Post" also kindly cooperate? Please write yours respectfully,
W. H. Atherton
Past Dominion Pres "Last Post Fund"