

HOUSE OF COMMONS CANADA Leader of the Opposition Ottawa, November 17, 1925.

Dear Arthur

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I think you ought to see the enclosed letters, three of which I have acknowledged. The one from Mr. Miller I have not acknowledged as I consider it a matter which should have your personal attention. I would have allowed this to remain until you returned, but was not sure that it could wait that long.

Yesterday I was talking to Gordon, ex. Minister of Immigration, and tried to elicit from him whether or not the House would meet on the 10th December. He replied that it would, that His Excellency had insisted upon the 10th, and he added that if certain writs were not returned and complete there would have to be an understanding between the Liberal party and yourself as leader of the Conservative party that members elect whose writs had not been returned should be allowed to take their seats. He asked me how you would feel and I at once told him I could not speak in regard to the matter

at all, and that as you would not return before the end of the month it was unlikely any information could be secured on the point. This is a matter which you will have to consider very carefully as I fully expect there will be some writs not returned on that date, <u>including Bagot.</u>

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