February Ninth 1921.

Rt. Hon. Wm. M. Hughes, Premier of Australia, Kew, Malbourne, Australia.

Right Honourable Sir: - -

I feel that I should first introduce myself to you. I am General Currie who, during the desing years of the War, commanded the Canadian Corps. My relations "over there" with the Australian Corps were of so intimate and pleasant a character that I feel as if I knew the man who so brilliantly guided the destinies of Australia during that trying period.

While I have never had the honour of meeting you personally, I have on more than one occasion attended the same ceremony as yourself.

I am taking the liberty of introducing to you Lieut,-Colonel J. L. Ralston, C.M.G., D.S.O. Colonel Ralston at the close of the War commanded the 85th Battalion Nova Scotia Highlanders. He served throughout with this unit, was four times wounded, and, as you can see, was rewarded for outstanding services. In private life he is a lawyer, is a K.C. and has been a member of the Nova Scotia Legislature.

He is visiting Australia for the first time and I shall appreciate very much anything that you can do for him. I have every confidence that both of you will derive much pleasure from your acquaintance.

> With all good wishes, I am, Ever yours faithfully,