

as we did not go anywhere, excepting to visit them at their homes which are also on the Rockefeller estate, I did have a very restful and peaceful time while there.

I did a little work each morning but the afternoons were given over, in large part, to rest. For the balance of the time, we sat and talked together or went for drives. It was cool enough in the evenings to enjoy a fire in the fireplace. All was different from what it is today in Ottawa, and, I imagine, also in Barrie, where the thermometer has been somewhere around the 100 mark, as it has been doing for the past couple of days.

The visit of Lord and Lady Mountbatten to Ottawa is responsible for my being so far behind in correspondence, this week. I had to spend Monday in the city attending a meeting of the Canadian Club at which Lord Mountbatten spoke, and a reception at Government House later in the afternoon.

On Tuesday afternoon, Lord and Lady Mountbatten came out to Kingsmere for tea, and we walked together over to Moorside and back to the Farm. Yesterday, I had a meeting of the Cabinet, and, at night, presided at a dinner given in honour of the Mountbattens. Meanwhile, among other things, I had to prepare a speech for the latter occasion.

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