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House of Commons
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Confidential.

Dear Colleague:

I do not know whether you noticed in the press that the Prime Minister and Members of the Canadian Government gave a wedding present to the Duke and Duchess of Kent at the time of their marriage a few weeks ago. This present was selected by the Prime Minister when he was in England in the fall and I understand that it was much admired. It cost \$1800. and in Council the other day the Prime Minister told our Colleagues that, if they cared to subscribe towards the cost of this present, he suggested that they send their cheques to me.

I have had an opportunity of seeing most of them here in Ottawa but I thought it best to drop you a line as I missed seeing you when you were here the other day and I am not likely to have an opportunity of doing so before the House meets.

Please understand that you are to do in this matter exactly as you think best. Several of our Colleagues have sent me cheques for \$75.00 but, if you decide to do anything at all, send me whatever you like.

You have had so little opportunity of being at our meetings and as you had no part whatever in deciding to send this wedding present, I have hesitated to write you but thought perhaps you might not like it if I did not do so.

With best wishes for the New Year to you and your family,

Yours sincerely,

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