his Excellency's reading. As you are aware, the great bulk of our despatches deal with departmental and routine affairs, but there are a number that I am sure His Excellency will find interest in reading.

Yours sincerely, O.D. SKELTON

30.

Le secrétaire d'État aux Affaires extérieures au ministre aux États-Unis Secretary of State for External Affairs to Minister in United States

DESPATCH 417

Ottawa, December 31, 1936

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge your despatch No. 1170 of December 16th,¹ regarding the possible visit of His Excellency the Governor-General to Washington in the coming year.

The matter has been taken up with His Excellency, who states that it is his intention to return President Roosevelt's visit² some time in the spring of 1937. His Excellency will probably write to the President suggesting a visit to Washington. Before doing this, he would be obliged if you could make private enquiries as to when would be the most suitable time. From His Excellency's point of view, a date in the first half of April would probably be most convenient.

I should therefore be obliged if you could take steps accordingly.

I have etc. O. D. SKELTON for the . . .

31.

Le ministre aux États-Unis au secrétaire d'État aux Affaires extérieures Minister in United States to Secretary of State for External Affairs

DESPATCH 13

Washington, January 6, 1937

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch No. 417 of the 31st December last in respect to the possible visit of His Excellency the Governor General to Washington during the present year.

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² Le président Roosevelt visita la ville de Québec le 31 juillet 1936 comme invité du Gouverneur général et du gouvernement du Canada. President Roosevelt visited the city of Quebec on July 31, 1936 as a guest of the Governor

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