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Ottawa, Ont., 5th August, 1914.

My dear Mr. Stevens:

Your letter of the 29th July is before me. The communications which you enclosed were certainly very satisfactory. Let me offer my own appreciation of the splendid assistance which you gave us in connection with the Hindu question. This appreciation would have been expressed at an earlier date but for my departure from Ottawa on the day before the ship sailed, and the tremendous events, ^{leading} ~~which~~ finally to war, which have occupied my time since my return. As you know, we have summoned Parliament for the 18th.

I return herewith the letters which you enclosed.

Yours faithfully,

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Enclosure.