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McCordy

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This is from Lieut-Governor  
J. A. S. McCordy  
Dec 5, 1949

GOVERNMENT HOUSE  
HALIFAX, N.S.

My dear Dr. Asdall -  
While in Ottawa recently  
I had dinner with Mr. Thomas  
John Stevenson of 398

Method St.  
Mr. Stevenson has been  
a sort of reporter of Canadian  
affairs for newspapers in the  
old country and was associated  
with the Toronto Mail & Globe or  
the Canadian Staff -  
He has advised you look  
"Border of the North" and is  
willing to obtain from



You two copies, one contains  
a short inscription to  
Lady Trenchard. The wife of  
Canada's former Governor General  
asks the other for himself -  
to be autographed  
I yourself - He asked  
me to write to you asking  
for your indulgence  
if you would be  
kind to do this.  
I know that Mr Stenson  
would be very much  
pleased - He will be  
in communication with you

With his thanks and charges whatever  
they may be. Mr Stenson is one  
of the outstanding authorities on  
all things relating to Scotland -  
and is a delightful conversationalist.  
You would enjoy him I know -  
My regards.

Sincerely yours  
John Auld

5/12/49



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LEONARD W. BROCKINGTON, B.C. LL.D.

56 SPARKS STREET  
OTTAWA,  
CANADA

December 27, 1949

My dear John,

When you were here a few weeks ago you undertook to procure for me two copies of Mr. Raddall's book on Halifax, one to be inscribed to me and one for Lady Tweedsmuir, to whom I promised the book for Christmas. I asked you to send me the bill for both. The other day when I was lunching with John Stevenson, he told me that he had received two copies from you, one inscribed to himself and one to Lady Tweedsmuir, to whom he had sent the volume. I can assume one of two things only, (a) that you got mixed up in your memory, (b) that Mr. Raddall declined to sign the book on my behalf. If the latter is true I shall understand although I am sorry. If the former is the case I can only assume that you were so bewildered by the confusion of heavy drinking and heavy gambling in which you were involved that you mixed up John Stevenson and myself. If the latter is the case will you please ask Mr. Raddall to inscribe a book to me and one to H.M. Tomlinson, the famous British author, who is a friend of mine. I have already written to Mr. Tomlinson about Mr. Raddall's book and would like to send him a copy. Perhaps with your usual clarity you will unravel the mystery for me.

If Mr. Raddall will accept the homage of an unknown admirer perhaps you will be good enough to convey it to him. I think his book a masterpiece, almost unique in the history of British literature and certainly one of the best books ever written in Canada.

Please give my kindest regards to your lady.

Yours sincerely,

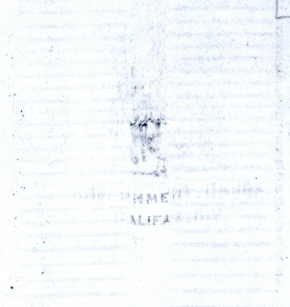
*Leonard W. Brockington*

LWB:G

His Honour,  
The Lieutenant-Governor of Nova Scotia,  
Government House,  
Halifax, Nova Scotia.

*My attached note from (AS) McClelland  
C. D. ... I ...  
Copies of ...  
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My dear Doctor -

I have a terrible confession to make. When I wrote you concerning the books, I mixed up the names of John Stenison & Leonard Brockington. I had Stenison some time ago but he did not reply & put me to sleep. However I received today the enclosed letter from Brock and would ask you

to please carry out his request. It may be a lot of bother for you and if so I am sorry. Brock's trouble is you & the book will be I think something worth looking into. He is a great fellow.

in your mind of mine -  
a good  
best for - 1950 -  
Very many thanks & all the  
Sincerely,

John Stenison

29/12/49