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HALIFAX, N. S.

DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH

June 29, 1970.

Dr. Thomas H. Raddall,  
Liverpool,  
Queen's Co.,  
N. S.

Dear Dr. Raddall:

This is just a note to give you fair warning of a forthcoming request from one of our graduate students in English. Mr. J. R. Leitold, an Honours B.A. graduate of the Royal Military College who has just completed his course work for the M. A. at Dalhousie and is now working on his thesis, would very much like to arrange a meeting with you in Liverpool. He is studying your historical novels and hopes to write his thesis on them, from the literary rather than historical point of view. His subject is therefore much tighter and more specific than that of Mr. Hawkins' thesis for U. N. B. of some years ago.

Mr. Leitold is a mature young man of twenty-seven who is unlikely to bother you with inane questions. He is intelligent, academically sound, and personally sensible and pleasant. I must add that he writes very well and should be capable of producing a very good thesis.

I hope that his request will in no way inconvenience you. I would be most grateful if you could arrange to see him.

Yours sincerely,

*M. G. Parks*

M. G. Parks,  
CHAIRMAN.

MP/df.

1462 Summer Street  
Halifax, Nova Scotia  
July 4, 1970

Dr. Thomas H. Raddall  
Liverpool  
Queen's County  
Nova Scotia

Dear Sir:

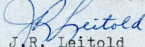
I am a graduate student at Dalhousie University and am attempting to complete my M.A. thesis this summer. I have chosen to do a study of your historical novels and, to that end, I am writing to ask if you could grant me an interview, in Liverpool and at your convenience of course, to discuss your works and your ideas on the historical novel as a literary genre.

The Chairman of the English Department, Dr. Parks, under whose supervision I am working, indicated that he had written to you last week forewarning you of my request. I hope that you will see fit to meet me, for I feel certain that a conversation with you would be most helpful in the preparation of my paper.

If you agree, Sir, could you please indicate in your reply several possible dates when you might be able to see me?

Thank you.

Yours sincerely,

  
J.R. Leitold

July 8, 1970

Mr. J.R. Leitold,  
1462 Summer Street,  
Halifax, N.S.

Dear Mr. Leitold:

I received the letter from Dr. Parks,  
and I shall be happy to give you an interview.

I am spending the summer at home  
and in this vicinity, so I suggest that you telephone  
me a day or two before you wish to come down here, and  
we can settle a time as well as the date.

Sincerely,

I live at No. 44 Park Street in Liverpool, near the  
Regional High School, and my telephone number is

354-3511

1462 Summer Street  
Halifax, Nova Scotia  
July 30, 1970

Dear Dr. Raddall,

I hope that the manuscript that you loaned me last week arrived safely.

Sir, a 1965 M.A. thesis analyzing your work has as a footnote a paper, entitled "My First Novel", that was read on the National Network of the CBC, December 16, 1963. Would you still have a copy of that lecture that I might examine?

I hope that you're enjoying the fine golfing weather.

Yours sincerely,  
Ron Leitold

August 4, 1970

Mr. J. R. Leitold,  
1462 Summer Street,  
Halifax, N.S.

Dear Mr. Leitold:

Thank you for the prompt return of my  
Dalhousie lecture copy.

I enclose my only copy of the radio  
talk, "My First Novel", given on the CBC network on Dec-  
ember 16, 1953. I don't think it contains anything that  
I haven't said or written elsewhere. Please return it  
when you have finished with it.

Sincerely,