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G. H. Q., Home Forces,
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Whitehall, S.W.

My Dear Spencer

Mr. Parkhill, Lieut. Rossiter, was here today on business, and I was reminded that Mr. D. never carried out my intention to write to you on the occasion of the honore being done by the State - I was sincerely glad to see it and I congratulate you heartily - You really have been a worthy son of Orosius and I wish I had more time to study what you have done. I frequently hear of you and it is always in terms that please me. I hope you will be here soon and we will drink to St. Peter - if it is only 1/20.

It is a long time since we were engaged in elucidating the somewhat dreary epistles of Ovid from Pontus. If he were there now he would be a bit taken out of himself and his woes - This reminds me that in my old age I have reverted a good deal to what are called the Classics, and in the form of good translations have found them profitable & comforting - The speech of Xerxes as given by Herodotus is just like the Kaiser's efforts.

What a distracted world! I carried on at Leeds till lately when they made me a Lieut. Col. at a bound

and put me on Lord Broun's staff to scientifically advise
- a very interesting business - How is not any dear
science perverted, alas! And we have the old silly
controversy about science v. humanities conducted mainly
by unpolite men of science & pedantic men of letters.

I had a boy in Stockholm - not doing much good - who
came over with the Angas & went through Gallipoli
unscathed. He & another boy are now in France -

I was over there not long since & thought the spirit
& organisation fine.

I was reluctant to believe that this is a war of
light versus darkness, but I am quite believe it &
feel it -

John Chen flourisher & little Welsh is as much a
boy as ever - a dear fellow. I wonder where F. B. Lee
is - Adams is over here, as natural as life and
twice as large - Arthur Dundy I see a good deal of -
My dear friend Millie Lewis happily in the garden city
Letchworth. Strong men's money through range-finders
& the like - Byrne with whom I remained close friend
died 2 years ago.

I was in India for the winter 1913-14 & had a
fine time. Otherwise I might have been tempted to
the Madras B. A. All good wishes & good feelings

Yours sincerely

Arthur Dundy