

the two wars were very happy ones for them. 3

Lord Tweedmuir went into politics in 1927. The years he spent in Parliament he enjoyed as much as any that had gone before in his life. In the autumn of 1934 he was invited to New York to open the Harkness Library at Columbia University. His wife accompanied him.

In 1935, Lord Tweedmuir had just completed a book about George V under the title "The King's Grace" when the King sent for him to tell him of his wish to appoint him to succeed Lord Bessborough as Governor-General of Canada. Lord and Lady Tweedmuir had always been interested in Canada since their short visit there in 1924. He accepted the honour which had <sup>been</sup> so graciously bestowed upon him. In representing the King in Canada he felt that he was being offered a position which had immensely interesting potentialities and great responsibilities.

Just after their arrival in Canada the whole Empire was plunged into mourning by the death of King George V. This meant for them the cancellation of social activities and Court mourning lasted for a year.

While they were living so quietly they worked at gaining a greater knowledge of Canada and each devoted a bit of the day to their writing. Lady Tweedmuir was able to finish her first novel, "The Sent of Water".

Willis O'Connor (the Senior Canadian A.D.C.) accompanied them on all their tours. He and Lady Tweedmuir sometimes went out together to Women's Institute meetings in Ontario. In England she had been a W.I. member for many years and the members of Canadian Institutes, realizing this, invited her to their meetings. While she was in Canada she acted as honorary-president of W.I. and was presented with a life membership. Lady Tweedmuir suggested that the members