Board of Trade,
Whitehall Gardens.
S.W.

11th February, 1910.

Dear Sir Percy Bunting,

Many thanks for your proposal.

I am afraid I cannot possibly spare time at present to write as you ask.

Yours very truly,

Winston S. Churchill

105, MOUNT STREET,
W.

Jan. 5. 1904.

Dear Sir,

I am reluctantly compelled to decline your courteous and tempting invitation. I have more work on hand than I can properly discharge having no less than six big Meetings before the Session begins and Heaven Knows what else afterwards but perhaps you

will give me another
opportunity at some future
time.

Yours truly,

Winston S. Churchill

Percy Bunting, Esq:

Nov. 1. 1890

2, CONNAUGHT PLACE.
W.

Dear Mr. Bunting

I have again to thank you for forwarding to me another very interesting note from Sir Thomas Farrar; which I return herewith together with a former letter which I had neglected to return you. It would be well for the country if its

financial condition & policy were always so keenly and authoritatively examined as Sir Thomas Farrer is doing now. I shall look forward to reading his second article. Mr. Gladstone's references to finance & public economy in Midlothian were unfortunately too meagre. He is a pity he did not enlarge upon these subjects as he would have found a far more fruitful field of criticism, than in the old Irish story, & he would have instructed & benefited the public who read his financial speeches with undiminished interest.

My belief is that Mr. Goschen has frittered away his prosperity as Lord Salisbury has frittered away his majority & the Government will go without having left any mark upon the time although favoured by unparalled advantages

Believe me Sir

Yours very truly

Randolph S Churchill

Private

October 11 1890

Barnstead Manor

~~MOULTON PADDOCKS,~~
NEWMARKET.

My dear Sir

I beg to thank you for your letter of the 7th. I am much flattered by your renewed invitation to me to contribute to the pages of the Contemporary. At the present rather unsuitable

conjuncture of public affairs
I find that my best hopes
of political safety or of future
usefulness are to be found
in continued silence on
political subjects. I cannot
agree with my party on
many points of their present
domestic policy, but anticipate
that before long they may agree
with me & am unwilling
now to cripple them in their
present rather critical
position by premature
preaching. The eight hours

question which you allude &
is a delicate one for a Conservative
to handle & I incurred
reproach last summer for
speaking & writing somewhat
in favour of legislation in
that direction

Believe me Sir
Yours faithfully
Randolph S Churchill

Percy W. Bunting Esq.

Private

Oct.r 5th 1890

BANSTEAD MANOR,
NEWMARKET.

Dear Sir

Having read the article in this
month's "Contemporary" on Imperial
Finance by Sir Thomas Farrer
I cannot resist expressing my thanks
to the author & the editor for such a
valuable contribution to public knowledge.
In my opinion it was of
immense importance that Mr.

Goschen's financial policy should
be publicly examined & some
one not open to the charge of
party bias. Criticisms of the
kind contained in the article
in question coming from
Mr. Gladstone Sir W Harcourt
Mr. H. Foster or even from
myself would have been
heavily discounted by public
opinion perverted by party organs.
Such treatment of Sir Thomas
Farrer's article is however
hardly possible & I trust that the
article may not be without effect
on the Chancellor of the Exchequer
himself. Might I ask you
to suggest to Sir T. Farrer
in his following article not to
omit an examination of

of the floating debt. My impression is but I have no figures & especially that it has been nearly trebled since 1907 mainly no doubt on account of the Debt Conversion, but partly operating in the event of Emergency crisis or panic a serious embarrassment & even danger & a future Finance

R. Churchill

Oct 5th, 1890

BANSTEAD MANOR,
NEWMARKET.

Minister. Please excuse me
for troubling you with these lines

Yours truly etc Th Pelly

Randolph S Churchill

To P.W. Bunting

April 6 1887

2 CONNAUGHT PLACE,
W.

Dear Sir

Although as you truly remark I am out of office yet I find I have quite as much to do as I can manage in combining with parliamentary & political work. Our articles in the Contemporary Review such as

You are kind enough to desire
from me would require that
a great deal of time & care
should be given to the composition.
This I cannot give and
any offhand shapeless style
of article such as mine appear
from politicians in other

Magazines would disfigure
the pages of the Contemporary
Review with much respect
I must beg to be excused
from complying with your request.

Yours faithfully
Randolph S Churchill

Percy Bunting Esq

10. East Cliff
Dover

THE DEANERY,
ST PAULS.

Jany. 6. 1890

Dear Mr. Benting

I should like nothing better than to comply with your kind proposal: but I am a good deal out of health, & I have other engagement, which fill me as much to do as I can do just now. I am very much obliged to you for thinking of me.

yours faithfully
R W Church

THE DEANERY,
ST. PAULS.

Oct. 18. 86.

Dear Mr. Bentley

I am very sorry that I cannot accept your proposal, interesting as it is. But my hands are quite full with the things which must be done: & I have neither time nor strength to add to them. I am very sorry.

Yours faithfully
R Wilberforce

THE DEANERY,
ST. PAULS.

March 29. 85

My dear Mr. Banting

I am much obliged to you for sending me the enclosed. It ought to be dealt with, but unfortunately I have no leisure just now to do so. I am much occupied, & cannot shake off the effect of the winter.

Yours faithfully
R. W. Church

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THE DEANERY,
ST. PAULS. Oct. 25. 84

My dear Mr. Bunting

Thank you for your note. I quite recognize the importance of such an attempt to estimate Carlyle's real work, as you describe. I wish Frank Pattison had her spenes to do it. He would have done it with keen insight, and with fearless & conscientious

justice.

But I am sorry that I cannot, though it is a humble song, take up that he has left undone. I am fully occupied at present, and I shall not get quit of my employment for months. It is impossible for me to undertake that for which you are to pay me when

me.

But I thank you very much for giving me the chance of a very important piece of work.

Yours faithfully

D. G. Rossetti