

January 29, 1900

To Her Most Royal Majesty Victoria Regina:

By your bidding I have invited the personages listed below to Hampstead Manor for the period February the 2nd to February the 9th:

Samuel Clemens, the American novelist who signs his works "Mark Twain"; Dr. Marie Curie, a chemist of some repute; Dr. Sigmund Freud, a Viennese physician; Dr. Sherlock Holmes, a consulting detective whose work you so admired in the Bohemia Affaire; Harold Houdini, an American entertainer of what his agent calls the "vaudeville circuit"; William James, an American psychologist; Florence Nightingale, the hospital reformer; Wilhelm Roentgen, the noted German physicist, Bertrand Russell, the mathematician and philosopher; Herbert George Wells, the novelist and futurist.

It is my wish to Your Majesty that all will attend, but at this late notice there is a possibility that some will not show. Mr. Houdini, to take one example, is at this time performing thrice daily in the West End.

Scotland Yard also reports that at least one of the invitations may have been intercepted, presumably by the Ripper himself. We have the assurance of Captain J. M. Osborne of Scotland Yard that the guests will be carefully screened.

Your most loyal servant,

Lady Wanda Millerford

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