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U-TURN

What ^{then} stands in our way? [?] then?

The prospect of another Winter of Discontent?

I suppose it ~~could~~ ^{maybe}.

But I prefer to believe that certain lessons have been learned from experience: that we are coming slowly, painfully, to an Autumn of Understanding.

I hope it will be followed by a 'Winter of Commonsense'.

~~That~~ If it isn't ~~it will not be our~~ fault.

~~Nor shall we~~ ^{shall not} be diverted from our course.

~~To~~ those waiting with bated breath for that favourite media catch-phrase the U-turn, I have only one thing to say.

You turn if you want to: the Lady's NOT for Turning.

/FOREIGN AFFAIRS.