

10 DOWNING STREET

THE PRIME MINISTER

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I am writing to say how pleased I was to visit Newtownards during my visit to Northern Ireland this Christmas and to thank you for receiving me. In addition to the shops which I saw - and I should be grateful if you would pass on my particular thanks to Mr. Brown and the staff of Browns' Drapery Store, which I greatly enjoyed visiting - I also had a fleeting glimpse of Newtownards' impressive new shopping centre.

To you and all the members of the Newtownards Chamber of Trade I send my best wishes for a happy Christmas and a peaceful and prosperous New Year.

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