

Derby, Earl of  
1946, 1947



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**The Pilgrims**  
SAVOY HOTEL, W.C.2  
TELEPHONE: TEMPLE BAR 4057

19 November 1946.

Dear Mrs. Roosevelt,

It does not seem nearly a year ago that I made the proposal that the Pilgrims should arrange for the erection of a statue in London to the memory of your distinguished husband. We have not been idle since then, and as you know have secured Grosvenor Square for the purpose. This has required a special Act of Parliament which passed both Houses in record time. We have tried to limit the subscriptions to five shillings as we desire the memorial to come from all the people and not from any section.

The monument will be ready for unveiling on April 12th, 1948, and I am writing to ask you, if you will do the Pilgrims the honour to come to England as their guest on this occasion, and unveil the monument.

Sir Campbell Stuart, the Treasurer, upon whom has fallen the duty of raising the funds and organizing the appeal, will be in New York next May when he hopes to be able to show to you a sketch of the monument and the Square in greater detail than is at present possible. He will also be able to give you particulars of the unveiling ceremony.

Upon that evening, three years after the death of your husband, the Pilgrims would like to entertain you to dinner again and have around you many of the people who have joined so gladly with us in this act of remembrance. It is my fond hope that on this occasion I shall be able to preside at the dinner.

Yours sincerely,

*J. C. Crossley*

Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt.

*J.C.*

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You are precious  
could come to the  
last time going*