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Barbton
Kirkby Lonsdale
Westmorland

Sept. 16th

Dear Mr. Laszlo

I wonder if you
recollect my wife and I
coming with my sister-in-law,
Miss Kay-Shuttleworth, to
your studio one day in
July saying that

I should be so glad if
it turned out possible for
me to have my wife's
portrait painted by you -
It may fix the matter
in your mind that we
discovered that Mr. Langlo
was a connection of Mr.
Fork a cousin of my wife.
Could you paint the portrait?

We return to the Embassy
in Washington about October
20th but between now and
then we shall be here
with Lord Shuttleworth till
Sept 30th and afterwards
at Watford ^(20 mls from London) with my
own people till we sail.
It wd be delightful if
the portrait could be painted
up here in this lovely
country, but very likely

that we not suit you,
tho' I hope it may.

But both here and at
Watford there are, I think,
good rooms for light.

My wife looks her best
up here & while at Watford
we shall be packing and
paying farewell visits,
which will rather interfere
with painting - Please let
me have a line with very
kind regards from us both

Believe me
Yrs very truly
B R James (Lt. Col.)