

The interest has been paid up to this time - but the coupons issued with the bonds have become exhausted - and the debt is still outstanding.

It would be useless and impossible for our government to keep these bonds out paying the interest on them - and yet meet its other expenses.

I therefore recommend that you pass an act providing for the issuance of warrants in lieu of said bonds - said warrants not to be preferred, and also providing that said bonds shall be void unless the same are presented for cancellation within a certain period of time.

For the prosperity of our Government and people we still need the efforts of an able delegation at the U.S. Seat.

The past year teaches us that those who wish to change our relations with the U.S. will not fail to continue their efforts during the coming session.

I therefore recommend that you make provision for the appointment of at least two competent persons to represent us at Washington city during the next session of Congress.

Hoping that you will be guided in all your deliberations by a desire for the good of your Country and that the Divine Providence will give you wisdom to do that which is best

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Yours &c

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