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Dec. 16th/93.

Dear Mrs Fawcett -

I ought to have returned Jim's letter before, but I have been busy with my regiment, all taking chicken pox. They are getting all right, & of a wonder they chose a convenient time of having it! I drove myself into Dunbar for a reb yesterday, & had a refreshing talk on Suffrage with some of the shop keepers. I got the appeal well started & found a feeling of it, I had not thought to find. Surely tho', we must hold our

Appeal over till after an
election. The conduct of the
Gov^t can only be explained
by an early dissolution? It
is too suicidal to be anything
else. I hear of. doubt that
Arthur thinks much will turn
on the way Accrington goes. If
for us — then they hold ^{on} if
of them — dissolution. Not im-
probable I suppose. I wish I
saw the country interested on
either side, it seems sunk
in a sort of slumber. I was
very glad to get what you sent

me. It has been of use to me,
& I will tell you if I see an
opening of more. Scotland has
surprised me, & if this appeal
does ~~not~~ no other good, it has
awakened the women.

Yrs sincerely

Ranunculus Balfour