

8 April 1931

The Watch House

Chideock

Bridport

Bournemouth

Dorset

(THE PALACE,
CHICHESTER.)

Dear Mr. de Laszlo

Hettie and I hope to
meet you on Monday after tea, and

I am most grateful for the arrangements
you are so kindly making for the sitting.

I hope you won't mind not painting me
in cope and mitre. The fact is that
ultimately I hope this portrait will be
added to the unique series of Deans of
Canterbury of which I should be the 32nd,
unbroken since 1540, and containing

The Right Reverend
Lord Bishop
of London

masterpieces by Romney, Lawrence
and others - to which indeed it would be a
privilege to add a portrait by such a
master as yourself. In this series I fear
a wife & mother would be not en règle.
I will bring to - selection of robes and
interiors on Monday!

I am writing Stephen & his wife
will be with you on Monday night.

Yours sincerely
George Cresser