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ALDERLEY PARK,

CHELFORD, CHESHIRE.

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Dear Mr Lasg Co

I see by this morning's Manchester Guardian that the ad hoc committee have refused to let your husband at C. Berly -

This seems to me a highly handed and appreciable action

not under the defence
of the scales - act and
its regulations are
not under arbitrary
conditions
and duties, and no
definite check is
formulated nor is
any sentence pro-
duced

But I understand
the two definite

charges are (1) leviable
associations as proved by
correspondence with the
Custo Kungay and the
the Dutch Legation (2)
siding an escaped
prisoner. Ask (1).
Justice Santay on ques-
ing me admitted that
if the letters were merely
on family matters and

not conveying information
to the enemy, that
Chapman was unimportant

as to (2) The evidence
of the police showed
near that there was
no attempt to help
an escaped prisoner
out on the contrary
prompt information to
the police which secured
his recapture.

It seems to me that if
all prisoner correspondence

ceased the result of
it was rather stale to
interfere with the at,