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To Dr. Flick from Dr. Welch

935 St. Paul Street, Baltimore,  
March 28, 1904.

My dear Dr. Flick:

23? (cf. Flick letter  
18 "Mar. 23")

My absence has prevented an earlier acknowledgment of your kind invitation.

As I have a weekly recitation with my class on Mondays from twelve to one which I have never missed, I shall not be able to be present at the luncheon on the 28th, and must also be a little late at the conference, as I cannot leave here until 1.18. I thank you very much for the kind invitation and am sorry to lose so much pleasure.

It seems to me questionable whether we shall be able to come to a unanimous conclusion at the conference. I do not feel strongly enough on the principal questions likely to come up to be inclined to make any contest one way or the other, and shall be ready to follow the prevailing sentiment. Still, I think it inexpedient under the circumstances to start another national society. I should consider it important to have your approval and participation in any positive course of action which may be decided upon.

Very sincerely yours,

William H. Welch.