

Oriel College,
Oxford.

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Dear Burdon Sanderson,

I have just had a visit from Ritchie who came to speak about some points connected with the medical examination,

As you kindly offered to carry on the duties of Regius Professor until the appointment of a successor I have assumed that you are technically professor until the appointment is made, but in your absence I took advantage of a clause in the Statutes (VI. vi. p.3 d.5) and nominated A. Thomson to act as your deputy in regard to the Examination. He has accordingly been making u p the usual arrangements which are especially important in view of the inspection by the General Medical Council.

On hearing of your return Thomson wrote to ask me as to his exact position, and of course I had to say that his action as deputy had technically come to an end. I understand however, that he is in the middle of his arrangements in view of the Examinations, and no doubt arranging very well, and it at once occurred to me that it would be best to leave these matters in his hands if he is willing to go on, as I believe he is. As a matter of form it would only be necessary to give your sanction, and perhaps to preside at meetings of Examiners.

One point Ritchie mentioned specially — the paper on Public Health. Thomson had arranged for Schorstein to take charge of it. Will you sanction this?

Both Ritchie and Thomson are working to make the Oxford Examinations quite unassailable at every point. I meant to come out and see you, but this afternoon and tomorrow are both rather fully occupied.

Yours very truly,

D. B. Monro.

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