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(To Sir Humphrey Rolleston)

S. S. "Cedric" Aug 8th [1904]

Dear Rolleston

Balfours letter asking me to take the Oxford chair reached me on Thursday & I have accepted. It will be a serious wrench to part with all my good friends in the U.S. & my dear boys in Baltimore, but I am convinced that it is best for me, personally. The pace of the past few years has been altogether too fast, and the warnings have been numerous that I have been riding for a fall. I have an immense quantity of good material which has to be'worked up' for which the comparative leisure of Oxford will be most welcome. I cannot leave until next Spring, You must let me come to you for advice at times I will urge Thayer to take the malaria work. I do hope Ross will help - he has the matter of prophylaxis so well in hand.

Sincerely yours

W^m Osler