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Dear Principal,

I am truly sorry that  
you do not expect to return to  
England: for many reasons,  
and among others for that  
which forms the subject  
part of your letter. It would  
have given me the greatest  
pleasure to promote the  
joining you to us. But it  
is a delicate matter with

which finally I have nothing  
to do, and become every  
year as it were a more  
difficult thing to obtain. Indeed  
one of our rules is that the  
person must declare that  
no application has been made.

It is most kind of you  
to send me your two  
valuable volumes. They will  
tempt me to express my

extend my hearty know-  
ledge - believe I have always  
been your student.

As to the religious question,  
I have determined that as far  
as I am concerned I  
will not be bound by my  
Religious friends to pursue  
what I deem not to be my  
dutiful duty to speak  
for Religion, except I am



myself intellectually convinced  
of either. I am willing  
to be put on Trenton by  
both. But I will not in  
this matter for fear I shall  
violate my conscience nor  
cheat my reasoning faculty.

It is not in the nature of  
things that true religion  
& true science should  
be parted. If there be a

God, He is Lord of my  
body ~~of~~ as of my mind  
and equally. And  
the laws of the material  
~~world~~ and of my  
spiritual being must  
be alike His - if He is.

And then if He is,  
then indeed anything  
which we can conceive

a cannot come may  
be = for any way the  
order of things in the present  
& incompatible,

I am  
Yours Principally

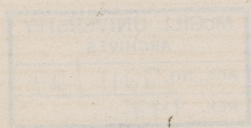
More faithfully yours

~~W. H. L.~~

Principally yours,



I venture to send you  
two little tracts -



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*June 10*

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