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My dear Dawson

I need not tell you that if I see anything arise likely to be beneficial to you I should immediately and quietly inform you of it —

I can readily understand your wishing for a change of work & perhaps of place — for persons of your eager desire to do good pretty nearly always undertake more work, (body & mind) than they can sustain for any length of time. Your work has always appeared to me excessive — & such as you are

I know nothing about my letter to Marchison

pretty sure to break down under —  
— and so gratify the Devil —

But with all your very eminent qualifica-  
<sup>you labour</sup> tions, as a Colonist under many disadvan-  
tages — in applying for a good post in  
Great Britain —

You are in truth entitled to a highly  
remunerative post — but they are very  
few — and the applicants for them <sup>very</sup> many  
well supported by family and political  
influences —

At this moment I only <sup>think</sup> know of profes-  
ships — or head master ships of great schools  
as likely to suit you — Most of these  
are only moderately paid — & the head  
masters are taken from Oxford or Cambridge

So my advice is that you and your  
family should keep up a lively look out  
upon the changes that are always occurring  
that in the meanwhile you should  
gradually

My Dear Sir —  
no help from America — must from Prussia, Belgium — Holland

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about 722.16.0  
of the Sp. Soc.  
Dana & Yale College has the Wollaston Medal  
and Philadelphia Professors are much better  
paid -

Your son is very well - grows stronger  
- makes himself very agreeable in society  
He appears to be working hard - and  
is making the best of his opportunities -  
He tells me he is comfortable in Halsey  
Street - likes his lady housekeeper - I forget  
her name -

I have been going thro much the last six  
or eight months - Life has lost very much  
of its worth to me - I think my time of  
life has weakened my power of endurance  
It is wonderful how much the loss of my  
quiet often ailing wife has afflicted me -

My very kind regards to Mrs Miss Dawson  
I am my dear Dawson  
yours sincerely  
J. J. Miggby  
Stoker is a good man  
to write to -  
Stoker to be a solid aid  
pains taking friend of yours. He  
does not go out often in an evening  
now -