

22 Denning Road. Wks

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Bruxy

My dear Principal

Your letter of July 25. arrived yesterday. No reasonable person could expect you to come to Manchester, though everyone reasonable or unreasonable would have been much disappointed had such a thing been possible -

But I hope that before we are all much older some favourable breeze may waft you and yours across to this side of the Atlantic -

As regards your project the more I think of it the more favourably inclined I feel toward it - Difficulties no doubt there will be, and many matters, not

only of delay <sup>with</sup> ~~was~~ than both considered  
but I believe that the idea is  
a workable one, and that the  
effect would be good. As for  
the International Congress I  
do not think that with winter  
I hear that the great Doctor is  
in London, but have not yet  
seen him -

I only returned about four days  
since from a pleasant journey  
in the Alps with my friend Hill.  
I was very tired with over-meal  
work when I started and thought  
the journey was by no means all  
holiday, feel greatly set up by  
it - The outline of the tour was  
geological - we made one traverse  
of the Alps from Grenoble to  
the Italian plain, a second

across the Tyrol, some fifty miles  
east of the Brenner. Two things  
have come into my mind even  
without microscope work at the  
specimens that have been collected  
half of what has reached Naples  
and the other one I hope to make -  
One the immense importance of  
what I called in my address  
'clearing foliation' as independent  
of, and in some cases modifying  
or practically obliterating the  
earlier foliation, and as  
impressing a certain kind of  
foliation on rocks originally  
not foliated (see specimens).  
The other the existence of an  
order of succession (as indicated  
in my address) which can  
be followed over the whole

extent of the Alps, which speaking  
in general terms corresponds well  
that supposed to exist in these  
countries - that is to say I believe  
the Archaic rocks can be classified  
through of course only in a very broad  
and general way - I need hardly  
say the Aorian series will have  
no place in the classification  
and the Helvetic will not  
underlie the Monte Alban - I  
fear I must add that I do  
not believe that in the Alps  
the Pic de Vaud group has any  
real existence -

Please remember me kindly to  
Lady Dawson, Miss Dawson and  
any other friends - My sister is in  
the country in the usual way -

Very sincerely yours

T. G. Bonney

P.S. I should like to know what  
is done upon the Alps?