

Oaklawn, Orange Lake, N. Y.  
March. 18. 1888

My dear Sir William

Your kind letter of Mar  
5 should have been answered sooner had I  
not been pressed with MSS which had to  
be sent to the printer last week. I am  
very much obliged by your kind responses  
and those of the official letter from the  
Soc. of Nat. History received about  
the same time. During more than forty  
years I have tried to do some little good  
in connection with that Society, and it  
will always be kindly remembered. I  
shall write formally to the Secretary ack-  
nowledging the action of the Council and  
accepting with thanks the Honorary  
membership & the title of Vice President.

I have been very ill with pneumonia,  
and was more than a month a pris-  
oner in New York, and now have been

nearly three weeks in Florida, whose  
balmy air has well nigh restored me.  
I hope in a month from this time to  
reach Washington returning thence to  
North Carolina & reaching Munich  
some time in May or as late as  
the meeting of the N. S. C. in case  
it should be held at that season.  
Mr Bournon hinted in a late letter  
that an autumn session was proposed  
At that season I hope to be in Europe  
should my health permit.

A revised & augmented edition of  
my *New Basis for Chemistry* is now  
in press, and a French translation of it  
by Spring of Siege is made. The MS of  
which I expect in a few days for re-  
vision, before it goes to press in  
Brussels. I find this climate  
very favorable for work, and the  
life at a country-house on a large  
plantation exceedingly pleasant.

My address for the next month will  
be, "Care James Douglas & Spruyten  
Duyvel, New York City," from whom  
my letters are forwarded daily.

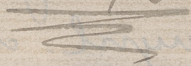
With best regards to Lady Dawson  
& Dr. Warrington and all your  
family. I remain my dear Sir  
William

Very sincerely Yours

J. Henry Hunt

Sr William Dawson

Dr Hunt  
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