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Dr. A. R. Rankin
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52, Lombard Street,

London 22^d Decr. /94.
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Dear Sir William,

I have a double - and a doubly pleasant - duty to discharge in writing you. First to thank you for your very kind letter of congratulation & good wishes on my transference from Edinburgh to London. 'Twas a great change after so long residence & good spreading in friendships & other connections but the promises were so bright that I felt compelled to follow the all-unexpected call, and after these few months experience I do not regret it. I shall hope to have the pleasure of telling you this more fully viva voce either at your end or mine: - at yours too if as seems possible, I go to Australia I shall endeavour to return via the U. S. & for Canada, perhaps next year; and second if your inclination and/or engagements bring you to London, I shall hope you will make your home with us. I have just settled the lease of what promises to be a roomy & comfortable house, and, believe me, 'twill

be a great pleasure to welcome you here, without reference to the length of your stay beyond saying that "the longer the better".

Please convey this message to Lady Dawson also in the kindest possible manner from us all.

How I much want you for your "The Meeting-Place of Geology and History", which you have so kindly ordered to be sent home - I shall read it with special interest & attention.

And so here you are employing your leisure - truly "Spem cum dignitate" & all for the higher interests of others -

All hail to such efforts & may they be crowned with success, yielding fruition here & hereafter as doubtless they will.

My household is scattered just now - Mrs. Kemp & my daughter are at West Stand on House (a Hydrotherapeutic Establishment) on the Clyde in Scotland & my son & I are making the best we can of Hotel life, but that will soon end, so now we shall move into the house I have found. In case that should change perhaps you will note in your "Where is it" this address as one which will always find me. Kindly remember me to Lady Dawson, Professor & Mrs. Harrington

The Mrs members of your family will be interested
to hear kind regards regards because me

Sir
J. F. Barr

Dear Sir

Yours truly
J. F. Barr

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