

Chelsham Parsonage Chelsham  
Surrey  
till September 25<sup>th</sup>

Dear Sir William Dawson

I tried to see  
you in the summer, but was  
laid up by an untoward  
accident, a fall down  
stairs. This has prevented  
my fulfilling engagements  
in Edinburgh, and from  
going to Liverpool now.

But I am quite recovered,  
when staying in the Surrey  
Hills, where my only son  
is Curate in sole charge of

Letters are forwarded from my home in Carlton Vale, Leicestershire, W. and I am only 1/2<sup>th</sup>  
an hour from any part of London, so I would come up, if you are leaving before the 25<sup>th</sup>.

a rural parish, with a  
beautiful old Church  
the tower, <sup>font,</sup> and 'altar',  
and other parts of which  
date from the twelfth  
Century. I am sorry  
to miss meeting you,  
and the few surviving  
friends of old times  
at Liverpool. Since  
the first Edinburgh  
meeting, when J. D. Forbes  
advised me to become  
a Life Member, I have

attended all the most  
attractive meetings -  
the Jubilee one at York  
and the Oxford one  
two years ago when  
Lord Salisbury made  
so admirable a  
President. I hope the  
Canadian meeting  
next year will be a  
successful and memorable  
meeting. If you are  
in London after leaving  
Liverpool I would like

to see you once more,  
and would come to any  
place you will appoint.  
The Victoria Institute,  
or Paternoster Row, or  
anywhere. My time is  
my own now, as I am  
no longer acting editor  
but "emeritus editor"  
as they designate me  
on my retirement. I  
am still deeply interested  
in all your works. Is Lady  
Dawson with you?

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Ever yours Ricard  
James Macaulay