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Sir William Dawson, F.R.S., Montreal, Canada.

My Dear Sir and Brother: --

In the name of the Committee for The Religious Parliament Extension, I take pleasure in sending to you a copy of the edition de luxe of the Secretary's Report, and beg to announce that the proposition has been made to hold a Conference during the ensuing autumn. For this purpose, we should like to have a letter from you, to be read on that occasion, in which you will state your views of the progress that the Religious Parliament idea has made since the Parliament of Religions in Chicago in 1893. We wish especially to know whether in the circles of your activity the brotherly spirit among the different denominations has increased; whether people of different views now meet one another in greater kindness and show more respect for the convictions of others; and at the same time, whether the zeal for truth does or does not suffer from the broadening tendencies of the Parliament; and finally, how far religion can be said to be the gainer by the new spirit of a brotherly exchange of thought that is now more and more pervading the world.

Hoping to have an early reply, in which you will state your views of the outlook for the religious life as it appears to you, both in your own sphere and the world at large, I remain, with fraternal regards,

Respectfully yours,

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