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My dear Sir Wilbani -

I have to thank you  
greatly for the very kind efforts  
which you have making toward  
the establishing of an assistantship  
in connection with the Chair of  
Geology.

The number of students has now  
become so large that it is  
impossible for one man to teach  
them properly - especially in the

practical work and demonstrations.

Furthermore it is impossible to extend and enlarge the scope of the course, as it must be extended, when within the next two years the new scheme of studies in the Faculty of Arts comes into force, and the study of Geology will extend over two years - instead of one.

I may also say that Dr. Porter considers it absolutely necessary to have a summer school of geology for the Mining Students - what school to Human Men in Arts could

also attend - as this will really necessitate assistance  
of some kind being provided. We really cannot  
pretend to keep up with the other departments of natural  
science which are so much better equipped and manned  
unless something is done to provide for additional  
teaching in the Geological School. Again thanking  
you, I remain -

Yours most sincerely

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