

Hampton
Turick, Switzerland
July 26th 1885

Dear Sir William,

I write to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 3rd inst and enclosed bill of exchange for \$50. They reached me in Freiberg several days ago, but too late to acknowledge by the last mail. The money I can get on my return to London. The £100 which you kindly placed at my credit in London I have not had occasion to ~~draw~~ draw upon and hope that it will not be necessary for me to do so.

When in Bonn I obtained a variety of things in the way of chemical apparatus for the college & normal school and paid for them with the money which Baynes had given me for the purpose. I have also

Spent about $\$100$ on rocks and minerals out of my own funds, but of course will get this on my return to London. I think I have also money enough with me to pay for the models which you wish me to get in Paris with regard to the Lantern for projection of microscopic objects. I shall hope to hear from you either in Paris or on my return to London. I have seen nothing good for the purpose on the Continent so far, but may see something in Paris.

In your last letter you tell me to expend $\pounds 50$ ^(for the museum) in accordance with the instructions given in your previous letters, but on referring to them I find that they say to expend

For minerals & rocks a sum not exceeding \$100

For insect models, 445 francs or 89

For lantern & physiological apparatus a

sum not exceeding 125

Or in all — \$314

I have really seen & done a great deal ~~to~~ since I came to this side & now think of returning somewhat earlier than I intended; but am waiting until I get to Geneva before I definitely decide. I am anxious to have a little time with Anna & the little ones at Metz before beginning work and also would like a little of the quiet which one gets at Metz to make plans for the work of the session. My last letters I got at Freiburg (Saxony) and now do not expect any more until I reach Geneva on the 30th or 31st inst.

I have been fortunate in meeting quite a number of scientific men since I came to the continent - mostly mineralogists, among them being Abbi Renard (who by the way has left the Jesuits and is altogether too frank a man to make a proper Jesuit), Schuster of Vienna, Lasaulx the petrologist at Bonn, Geinitz (who sends his kind regards to you), Zirkel (at Leipzig), Winkler,

Stelbner, Weisbach & Richter (all of
 Freiberg) Roth & Websky at Berlin
 & Rosenbusch at Heidelberg.

To-morrow I hope to see the
 celebrated Polytechnic school
 here, and have brought with me
 an introduction to Spruge one
 of the professors, who lived
 for many years in England.

I have seen many museums
 & laboratories and picked up
 a good deal of information
 which I hope will prove useful
 in the future.

If Florence is with you please
 say to her that I hope to call upon
 Mrs Elliot on my return to London.

Very sincerely yours

R. J. W. W. W.