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My dear Professor

I am afraid I cannot
absolutely bind myself to
visit Montreal just now, though
I should like very much to
attend the Festival if I could
manage it.

I have written to this
effect to the Secretary requesting
the authorities to choose their own
day, and then to communicate

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the date to me.

The truth is that I shall be kept here pretty constantly by business during the next two or three months, and if I can get away at all, I want to go down to Washington to attend a session of the American Congress, which is an experience I ought to profit by before leaving the Continent.

ever yours

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