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My dear Dr. Dawson, Prof. Bell has written that he expects to meet his wife in New York, on her return from Scotland, about the 1<sup>st</sup> of April - & I have invited him to visit us with her at the time.

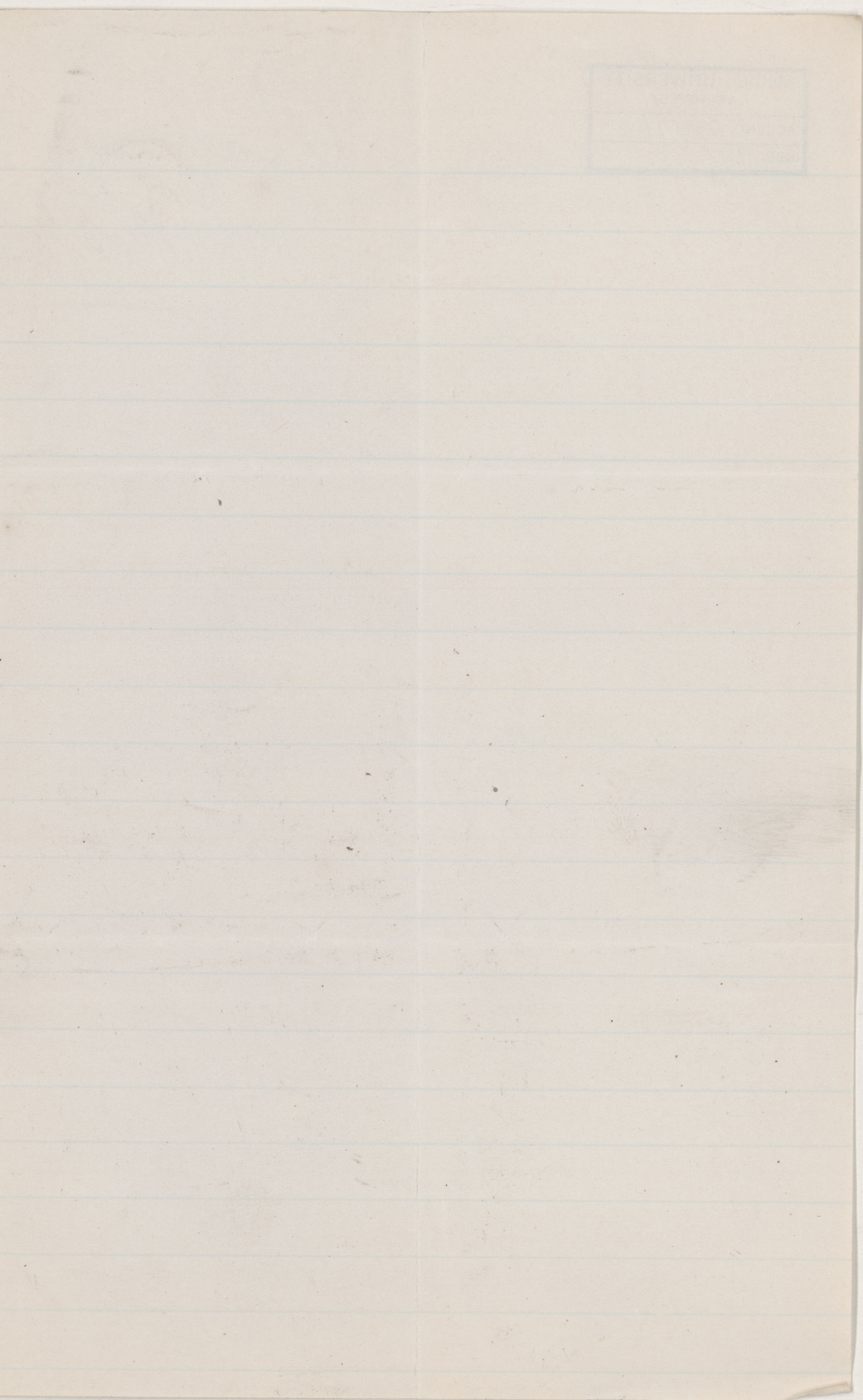
From the testimonials he has placed in my hands, I can have no doubt of the ample sufficiency of his Scientific <sup>for our vacant chair of Nat. History,</sup> Attainments, or his Competence as an instructor. Some of the gentlemen who indorse him speak also of his "personal integrity." But is he a decided Christian? We want a Christian Science taught - and still more, as we are situated, in our little Compact Community, with the responsibility of moulding the Character of these three or four hundred young people upon us, we want Christian men & women to teach it, & to exert a positive

Christian influence in their entire connection  
with the College life. Should Prof. Bell  
receive the appointment, what might be  
expected of him (of Mrs Bell) in this  
respect?

I make the inquiry confidentially  
and am sure you will appreciate the  
 motive.

Yours Very truly,

J. H. P. Raymond



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