



William
Lodge

46 St George St.

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My dear Mr William

I have daily intended
replying to a kind letter of
yours, now lying before me,
with its date so far back
that I shall not note
it specifically:

Let me say, in the first
place, how greatly I have
enjoyed Rodolfo Lanciani's
"Ancient Rome," with which
you so kindly enriched the
Archaeological corner of
my Library shelves, as a

mementos of your pleasant,
but too brief visit to us at
Knaresborough. It is marvellous
to find such buried Treas-
-ures, complete classic
statues, and other substan-
-tial relics of Rome's glory
still recoverable. I owe
you a debt of gratitude
for placing within my
reach such a pleasant
glimpse of ancient Rome
in the light of recent
explorations.

In your letter you
referred to Principal Grant
and his threatened assaults
on us. He is out on the
war-path, as you will
no doubt have seen;

and assails me on a
matter in which you may
have some sympathy with
him. I do not know if,
amid your own university
care, you appreciate the
difficulties of another kind
that I have to contend with.
Our University Senate is
a very miscellaneous, and
somewhat uncertain
body; and the Education
Office, with the Minister at
its head, is sometimes pulling
one way; the Senate another,
and some few of us striving
to find a via media,
less objectionable than
either. Dr Grant, however,
is glad to find a weak
point in our armour;
and I dare say I shall

be held responsible for
a good deal that I
disapprove of; and have
tried to amend. Before
Grant's assault appeared
I had sent an Article
to the Educational Monthly
on the subject of English
Matriculation Exami-
-inations; which will
probably be assumed to
have been suggested by
his remarks.

Did you know that Dr
Curray mistook the hour
for his lecture here at Trinity
College; and arrived to find
one of the professors giving
an impromptu lecture, on
the assumption that he was
not coming.

Faithfully Yours

Daniel Wilson