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Dear Sir William Dawson

I found your kind letter on reaching Liverpool and my answer will probably only come by our ship.

I will therefore only say that I feel much honoured by your proposal about the Inaugural Address, I will undertake the duty with pleasure, if you think I can fulfil it without a little more solicitude of your ways.

My letter may have
reached you by this, in
which I said I should
not trouble Professor
Johnson about lists. I
don't know how this
list of apparatus was
asked for, but as I
got it from Professor
Booy, I presumed he
had sent for it. It
has served to give us
a useful idea of what
to expect; but of course
I never intended to
take any use of it,
as a guide to ordering
instruments, feeling that

not only had I no au-
thority, but no knowledge
of the circumstances that
would enable me to form
an opinion of any value.

Of course I should have
consulted Professor John-
son at once, had I pro-
posed to take any step.

I wrote to him from
London to this effect, in
answer to a most kind
letter from him, received
by me a week ago.

Believe me

Very sincerely yours

John Cox

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