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Butte Montana, Feb. 4th 1896.

My dear Sir:

I have an object in view for asking the following favor. I am sure it will be, on the surface, thought quite-presumptuous in me, to ask for that which will consume valuable time; but you cannot know the good you may do, by giving me a favorable answer.

Will you kindly write me the names of say, not less than fifty, and more, if you will, of the representatives of the "scientific" men now living.

And if you have any data, please state whether or not they attend, regularly, any place of worship - and of communicants, of any religious body.

Please note that. It might be briefly put in form, like this.

name	Res. attendant at. —	Communicant of	Religion
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Thanking you in advance for your kindness. I am.

A debt to you, for much valuable information, derived from your unexcelled writings.

S. C. Blackinton

But the Minutes, July 4, 1896.

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S. C. Blackader
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