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Dear Margaret,

I received your last kind letter just before my lecture on Monday and was of course most happy to hear that you were all well. In reference to the offer which I write, there would be much advantage connected with it. The income of it would however be pretty good and the opportunities of doing good great. It is however against my principles to seek for office, and especially I am beginning to dislike the reputation that it will draw from home. In these views my answer was in substance that I did not desire it and would not accept, but that if on other suitable terms could be got, I would perhaps take it. There

will however be plenty of applicants,
and I hope they may get a suitable
and conscientious person, from among
them.

My vaccination has not taken
it felt a little sore & looked inflamed
on Saturday & Sunday but is dying away.

I am sorry that I have a bad
report to give you of your new galoshes
or india rubbers. They were rather tight
and difficult to get off & on, and
finally, notwithstanding all the care I
could take, they split down the side.
I have therefore laid them aside, and
shall content myself in the mean time
with the old ones, which are very necessary
in these slushy muddy streets.

Your idea of flowers to me is good. I

have given her a nice little which she was
much in need of and which I got father to
send down for me. I will however keep
you item in mind, though I fear
there will be difficulty in sending them.
Mrs J. desires me to send her kind wishes

There was an auction today of
furniture belonging to a Scotch
establishment. I went for a little while,
but most of the stuff was old and
quite, and I did not think it worth
a stay, especially as there was a very great
crowd.

I must again bid you good bye for
the present, my dearest Margaret, I do
it with all the best and kindest wishes
that I can entertain
Yours ever affectionately
William

