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My Dear Mamma

There is nothing new
to report this week, Natural History
began on Thursday, & the Laboratory
work of course goes on. Somehow
I feel remarkably lazy & find it
hard to settle down to work this
year.

Last Tuesday I took dinner at
the Parkers. Young Parker is leaving
for Yorkshire where he has got a
post at an academy as teacher
of Natural History &c. Dr P was
kind enough to give me a copy
of his last paper on the development

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the page. He is sending one to
Papa which will no doubt soon
turn up. He has prepared all the
plates for another article on the
development of the Salmon
which he has been working out
for some time. There are thirteen
of them large Quarto size.

I went to church this afternoon
at the Chapel Royal Whitehall. There
was not a large attendance
& the sermon was stupid but
fortunately not long. The chapel
was formerly the banqueting room
of the palace, & as the roof is
paved with designs suitable to
its former purpose, the effect is
rather curious.

I yesterday read out a small

list of books, got them approved
by Mr Reeks, & ordered them at the
bookellers where the amount of
my prize is deposited. They are
merely a few which I needed for
the lectures &c.

I am sorry to hear that George
Bell is likely to be out of place
so soon. I am sure he deserves
anything you can do for him
after the extreme kindness of the
Bells to me.

Oct 19.

Thanks for your nice long letter
received on Tuesday. I am glad to
hear that your Association has
been so successful, & hope it will
prosper.

I had a note from Lady Lyell

a day or two ago with an
invitation for next Saturday evening.

The Metallurgical Laboratory is
fortunately closed on Saturdays.

I am quite ashamed to send
so short a letter, but really cannot
find anything to say.

Please congratulate Anna on the
success of her first lithographic
plate, which she writes about in her
last.

With love to yourself &

all. Believe me,

Your affectionate son,

George H. Davenport