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P.S. I haven't had time to read "clouds" yet.

P.S. I would write longer letters but I always have great difficulty in finding anything to say, & I am afraid you often find them rather dry.

I am always delighted to get any scientific news, or mechanical discovery, &c.

Dear George,

Mrs Stewart, when she was leaving, gave me \$40; twenty to send to you, & twenty for myself. Whenever you tell me how much that prism cost, I will send you the whole thing at once, so as to avoid two remissions. Perhaps you will be surprised at the long strings of decimals, in stating the required size; but it was not my fault that the tube was made so.

You will be glad to learn that the coppers & pence ~~are~~ now in circulation are to be recalled, & cents issued

instead of them. At present
pence & half-pence of the bank
i.e. bank tokens, "Un sous", &c
are taken at two & one cents;
& so as these are spent in buy-
ing stamps, &c they will be
kept & cents given in their
place. All the unauthorized
coppers (Yankee cents, private
coins, &c.) go will be bought
up ~~at~~ for ~~at~~ half or two
thirds of a cent each.

Prof. Forbes gave delivered
his first lecture today, to the
second year, but they said
that he spoke too fast, &
then blamed them for not
taking notes.

I went down yesterday
to some rolling mills at the
canal basin at the foot of
Mc Gill St, & saw the whole
process of nail making, which
as I suppose you have often
seen so that I may save my-
self the trouble of telling you.
Believe me your affectionate
brother
William.