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My Dear Dawson,

Many thanks ~~to~~ to you for
 the letter + slide. I have been waiting
 for a long time to hear from the
 R. S. M. in general + you in
 particular. The slide is jolly - I
 quite enjoy your mounting process, +
 also your microscope - there is none
 here but an old affair wh^{ch} I should
 imagine cost about 20/- or 30/- some
 fifty years ago. The highest power is
 something like this in action: - 
 The spec^{es} (a) below the smaller lens

is entirely clogged up with dust, and
as you will perceive it is just about
impossible from the construction of
the instrument to clean it. The
the power magnifies perhaps a little
more than an ordinary hand lens.

Huxley's I am very glad to hear of
return to work: will you, next time you
write, tell me what he's doing with
his lectures?

I wish you could give me
some hints for teaching Physiology.
The Chemistry I can manage, but not
having learned the the practical myself
I find it rather difficult to teach it,
and the boys look upon it as a
awful bore. I have demonstrated
a sheep's heart to these, & also a

little birds inside, and now I
want to catch some frogs, and
see if I can show them what
reflex action is & let them see
the heart beat. The smallest
contributions in the way of hints
will be most thankfully received.

I quite agree with Ramsay
about the matter of Exams., and
I think the candidates should be
chosen by a committee & not by
one single man, especially a hot-
headed, one-sided Celt like Ramsay.

I am very glad that Meth
is still in existence, though I
have given up the expectation of

being from him long ago.

I wish I could come to
find Nat. Hist. with you again.
It's really horrible to feel that
as far as advancing my knowledge
of Science goes I am almost at
a standstill. Still I'm gaining
experience & having the satisfaction
of feeling that I'm independent,
both of which are satisfactory —
goodbye & good luck to you

Kind regards to all the men

Ever yours

T. J. Parker

The Stereoscopic Company people
wrote some time ago to tell me that my
negative was broken! so I must wait till
Midsummer.