

W. Bruce Clarke to Arthur Thomson.
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My dear Thomson,

Thanks for your letter about the Regius Professorship. When I returned home after the exam, I mentioned the subject of Sanderson's resignation to several men whom I met. I found they had seen the notice in the Times and were already astir.

I hear there are several distinguished graduates, who would be prepared, (if a wish was expressed that they should do so) to go to Oxford as Regius Professor.

Moullin's name I have never heard mentioned, and as he is a surgeon I should think it most unlikely he would be a candidate.

Under these circumstances it seems to me it would be far better for the Medical school to get a representative Oxford man for Regius Professor, than to have Ritchie.

You may make your mind quite easy about Payne: I hear he wouldn't go.

Xmas has intervened to prevent us exchanging opinions freely, but I should think the best plan would be to take steps to ascertain what the feeling of the Oxford Graduates is. I take it those that reside in Oxford would fall in with any reasonable scheme.

Yours sincerely,
W. Bruce Clarke.

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