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Dear Mr Johnston

I thank you for your very kind and courteous note and for the prospect of my being able to join the 'Bibliographical'. This is what I should like to do immensely and would feel in my element. But since I last saw Mr Cowan at Dalmally, I have taken on new responsibilities in the Editorial line and attendance would be an impossibility for me being so far from town and with 8:00 PM for our latest train. It is no use thinking of it. It is long since I saw you but it is hardly my fault for illness has never been out of my house for two years. Diphtheria twice, influenza and its sequelae and still other and greater troubles which my wife has had to bear, have made us a sorry household.

But I trust though we don't quite yet see blue water we shall soon with kind regards, and remembrances ever truly yours.

SR Crockett.