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Dear Dr Gray.

Dr Welling and I had thought we were possessed of Mrs Baird's full wishes, which were presented to the Regents, and supposed to be embodied in their action, but, it was subsequently seen that she greatly preferred that the actual instrument should be immediate and private, and that the resolution of the Regents should be taken as applying to a later and distinct ceremony.

So, in accordance with her wish, we have this morning attended Prof Baird's remains to the grave. Only his family and a very few personal friends were present; among the latter the Chief Justice, and Senators Morrill & Edmunds. I am

glad for Mrs. Band's sake, it
is over.

Will you please present my
respectful regards to Mrs. Jay
and say how much I hope
she will be able to accompany
you if you come, as we trust
you will, in January?

Yours most truly
S. P. Langley



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