

3^d letter
We saw Brian M to
Australia the week
before last. He goes
to seek employment; but
I think he has a good
chance of falling on his
legs.

I think we shall have
to floor out the first
gallery level of the herbarium
next year. The place is
full to suffocation already
and Oliver accumulates,
accumulates.

There is a great hubbub
now provoked up by Sir John
Lubbock about Freshy.
To my mind it is a question

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My dear Prof. Gray

No doubt the more than
kindly notice of our Cause
of extinction in the Nation
is due to your hand. The
little volume has a somewhat
pathetic interest to me as it
is the grave-stone of that
episode in my life. I always
promised myself to be a
teacher and not an official.
But the chancey life
has ordered it otherwise.
When I came to Kew I
planned myself into the



delusion that the world
he plants & time for
systematic work. But
with this majestic splendour
of my chief I am more
tied to the ^{Office} desk than
he was when I came to
his rescue ten years ago.

My wife and I are off
for a fortnight tomorrow
to the Eastern Canadas
to visit some of her
relations & be present

at the marriage her
second brother Charles. He
is going to marry a very
nice girl - a sister of
Cousin John whom we all
like. So time is happily
arranged. He has taken
a practice at Owen Sound
a place for which I have
a good deal of affection
as I spent two years
there after leaving Oxford
teaching at the Agricultural
College. This is a charming
town with continuous
history from its Roman
period as Corinium

of the future not the
present. Clegham an
old Indian forester cannot
at present price & labour
make his own wood pay.
He finds that he
can buy foreign deals
as his son checks him
he can cut his own

I am looking forward
with some dread to next
year. We shall all
be dropped in to this
Colmire and Indian
Exhibition which no doubt
will be a big thing
with kind regards to

Wt. Jan

Behave me

Jaen Eva

W. T. Kirelton Dyer



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