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Papers, April 1882

W. B. ROGERS  
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Boston April 1. 1882.

Dear Mr. Stimpson

At the time of receiving your note I communicated with Dr. Gray on the subject to which it referred & wrote immediately to Prof. Gill. Should he not however be able to prepare the promised memoir of your son I shall at the coming meeting of the Academy in Washington this month appoint another member to that duty.

This is one of several cases of similar tardiness which were allowed to occur before I became Pres<sup>t</sup> of the Academy two years ago.

As in my opening address at the coming meeting I wish to allude briefly to the several members of whose memoirs have

not yet been furnished.

I shall be much obliged for any sketch of your distinguished son which you could lend me for the sake of dates & circumstances of his early life of which I am uninformd. Should you not have such a statement will you be so kind as to furnish me with these facts regarding his early life.

Please write me at once as I shall leave Boston next Saturday. After this I shall be at Normley's Hotel Wash<sup>ton</sup>.

Believe me

Yours very truly

William B. Rogers.

H. H. Stimpson Esq.

Nautical Almanac Office.

Bureau of Navigation, Navy Department.

Washington April 1<sup>st</sup>. 1882.

Dear President Rogers:

I believe you have not designated anyone as chairman of the local committee and perhaps it is not necessary.

Professor David suggested last evening that I should call the committee together on your arrival and it could then elect its own chairman.

I do not know that there is any necessity of doing anything more before you arrive and when you are once on the ground we can talk the matter over.

General Olmigs is conveniently located for the members and he has tendered it for that purpose but perhaps Wormley's Hotel would do just as well. Do you think Thursday the 13<sup>th</sup> would be a convenient evening?

I understand that you expect to arrive here on Wednesday before the meeting; if so I should like to meet you at the station if I know by what train you come.

Yours very truly  
Simon Newcomb

President W. D. Rogers,  
117 Marlborough Street,  
Boston,  
Mass.

Dear Mother  
I received your letter  
of the 10th and was  
glad to hear from  
you. I am well and  
hope these few lines  
will find you the same.

I am still in the  
hospital and hope to  
be home soon. I  
will write you again  
as soon as I can.  
I love you and  
hope you love me  
too.

Your affectionate  
son,  
John Doe

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117 Marlboro' St  
April 4<sup>th</sup> 1882.

My dear Mr Pass

After reflecting on the subject of our conversation last evening I have concluded that I ought not to be present at the meeting at the State House tomorrow.

The subject for consideration as mentioned in the notice is so little connected with the great interests of the Institute that my presence would not be at all expected & might perhaps compromise the dignity of the Institute

Should the question  
arise of some small  
appropriation by the  
State to be applied in  
part even to the use  
of one of our Professors.

I greatly desire that  
Ordway should have  
the opportunity of a visit  
to Europe for his own  
sake as well as for the  
value of his observations  
to the Institute, but would  
it not be better for his  
friends in the Corporation  
& others to make the

requisite provision for this  
object than that the Inst:  
should be regarded as  
asking for so petty an  
appropriation.

Indeed it seems to me  
that however important we  
may consider the general  
subject before the Committee  
it would be unbecoming  
in the Inst: as such to  
take part in the matter.

Should the Legislature  
establish the proposed  
Commission I should have  
no hesitation in most  
heartily recommending that  
Prof<sup>r</sup> Ordway be made



its chief.

You will I am sure  
appreciate the objections  
I have made & believe  
me

As ever yrs faithfully

William B Rogers

(dictated)

M. D. Rags Esq<sup>r</sup>

Trinity College,

Hartford, Conn. April 4<sup>th</sup> 1882

Prof. W. B. Rogers  
117 Marlborough St  
Boston, Mass.

My dear Sir,

I have a suggestion to offer in connection with the "Address to Trustees of Colleges" prepared by the joint Committee of the A. S. S. S. and the A. P. A., which Prof. White modestly waives communicating.

I suggest that copies of the Resolutions adopted at Cincinnati, as reprinted in the pamphlet in your hands, be sent out with the Memorial - The larger part of the pamphlet is taken up

with Prof White's excellent  
speech, hence his aversion  
to asking your opinion on  
the question - The other  
members of the Committee (so  
far as heard from) vote as  
follows:

Prof Bueh	no
" Lesley	yes
Pres Barnard	yes
Prof Clarke	not reported as yet.

The question is one of  
expediency, will the parties  
receiving the Address pay  
more or less attention to the  
appeal if accompanied by  
the pamphlet named.

A reply will oblige  
Yours very truly  
H. Carrington Bolton

with Prof. White's excellent  
speech, I have had occasion  
to ask you your opinion on  
the question - the other  
members of the Committee (as  
far as I know from) vote on  
factors:

Prof. Cook on  
a subject  
Prof. Brown on  
Prof. Cook not reported on  
yet

The question is now of  
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Boston Apr. 5th. 1882.

My dear Sir,

I have your note of yesterday's date this morning, and appreciate your feeling and views respecting an appearance before the Committee of the Legislature in relation to Professor Ordway's visit to Europe.

I was obliged to send Mr. Rice a note to excuse my appearance, as I am going away today for an absence of a day or two.

I understand that the Com-  
mittee on Parks of the  
City Council, may take  
important action today on  
the matter of purchasing  
from the Institute its  
land on "Trinity Square".

With great respect  
Yours very truly  
Alexander H. Rice.

Professor  
William B. Rogers.  
117 Marlboro Street

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City Council have taken  
important action in  
the matter of the  
the land in front of the  
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With great respect  
Yours very truly  
William A. Rogers

Superior  
William A. Rogers  
117 Madison Street

- N.Y. 9. 1882 -

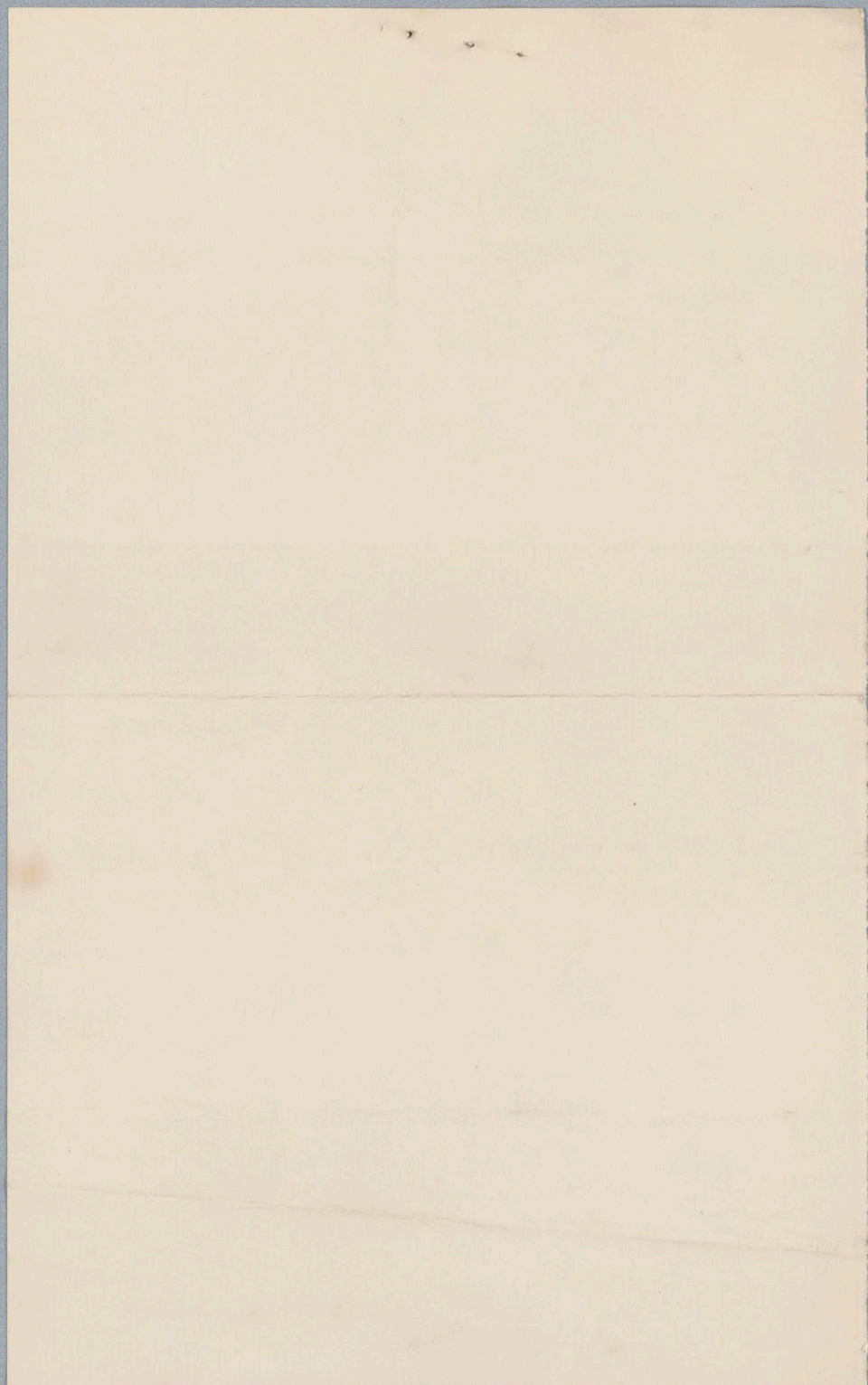
My dear Prof Bolton -

I have had some hesitations  
in deciding the questions proposed  
in your letter of the 1st - Prof. White's  
statements at Cincinnati <sup>are</sup> ~~are~~ <sup>desp</sup> ~~are~~ <sup>advisable</sup>  
for the occasion & its illustrations  
are telling - But I ~~think~~  
I can imagine that it might  
provoke opposition - In particular  
where the ~~the~~ Circular by its  
calm <sup>as well as its clear & full</sup>  
~~and~~ <sup>impartiality</sup> ~~would~~ <sup>would</sup> ~~win~~  
<sup>the</sup> ~~favor~~ <sup>of the</sup> ~~majority~~  
I ~~think~~ ~~that~~ ~~the~~ ~~present~~  
~~of~~ ~~the~~ ~~whole~~ ~~that~~ ~~with~~ ~~the~~ ~~negative~~  
~~of~~ ~~the~~ ~~same~~ ~~of~~ ~~full~~ ~~statement~~  
I ~~think~~ ~~that~~ ~~the~~ ~~questions~~ ~~may~~ ~~be~~  
dead. Prof. White & Dr. Kappeler  
know ~~of~~ ~~having~~ ~~been~~ ~~the~~  
~~highest~~ ~~authority~~ ~~of~~ ~~the~~  
Protestant Movement.

Prof. H. C. Bolton

W. T. B. R.





SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION,

WASHINGTON, D. C., *Apr. 15<sup>th</sup> 1882*

Dear Professor:

Judd & Detweiler will print 500 copies of the report of the National Academy, extending it to 24 pages and providing a paper cover, for \$50. This is more than I thought it would be, and I will apply to the Government Printing Office to see on what terms they will do it, if at all.

Very truly yours,

Spencer Baird

Prof. W. B. Rogers,  
Wormley's Hotel,  
Washington, D. C.

AMERICAN UNIVERSITY

WASHINGTON, D. C.

Rock Island Arsenal,

Illinois,

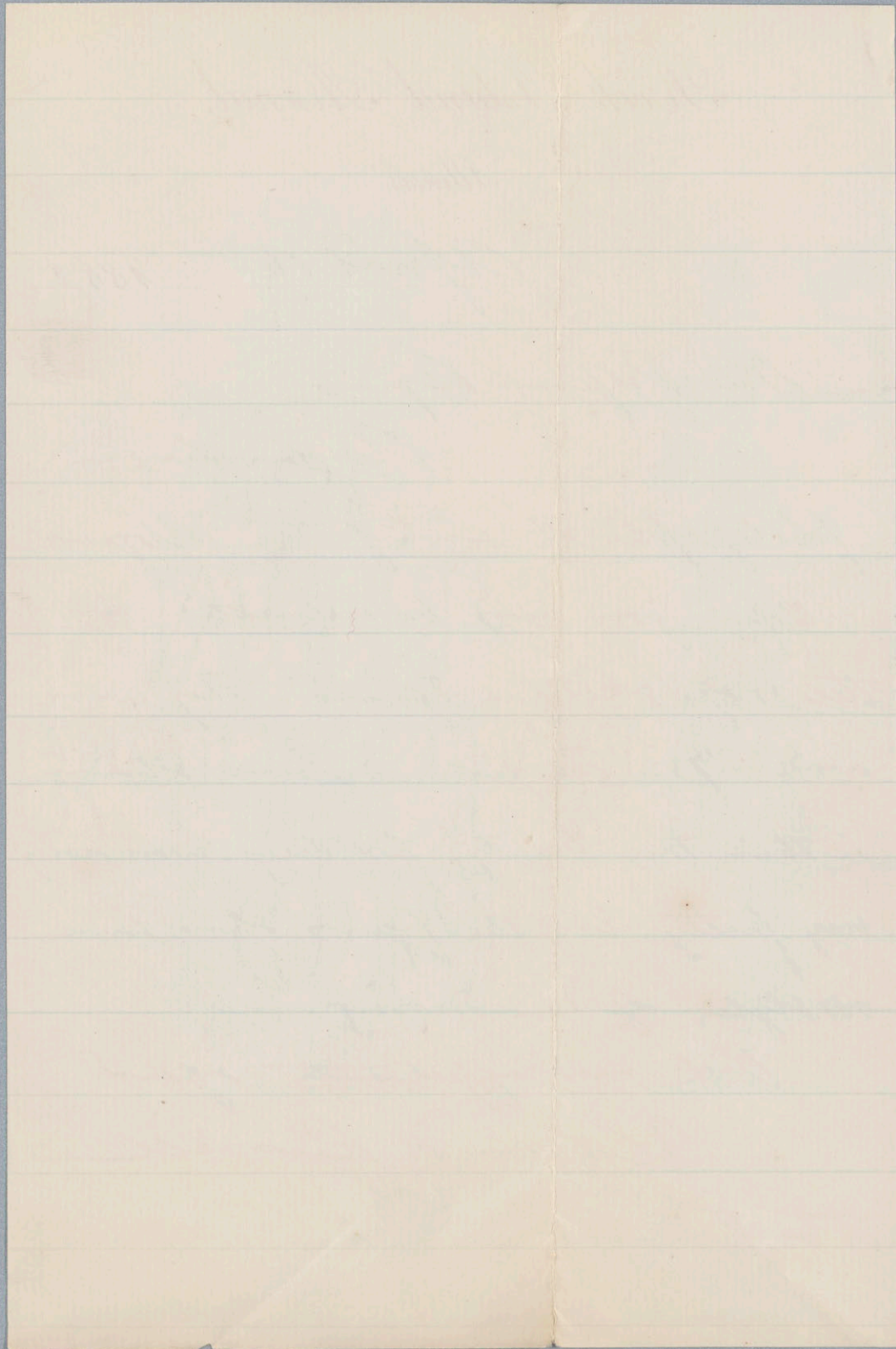
April 16<sup>th</sup> 1882

Dear Professor Rogers

As you have  
photographs of some of the Moquis  
villages you may be interested in  
the rough sketches I send. They were  
made in '73. The girls are not shown  
in their true beauty, for they were really  
very pretty, but the figures show some  
odd styles of hair dressing.

With most affectionate regards

Osborne H. Russell



Cosmos Club  
Room 36, Corcoran Building

Washington. April 16 1882

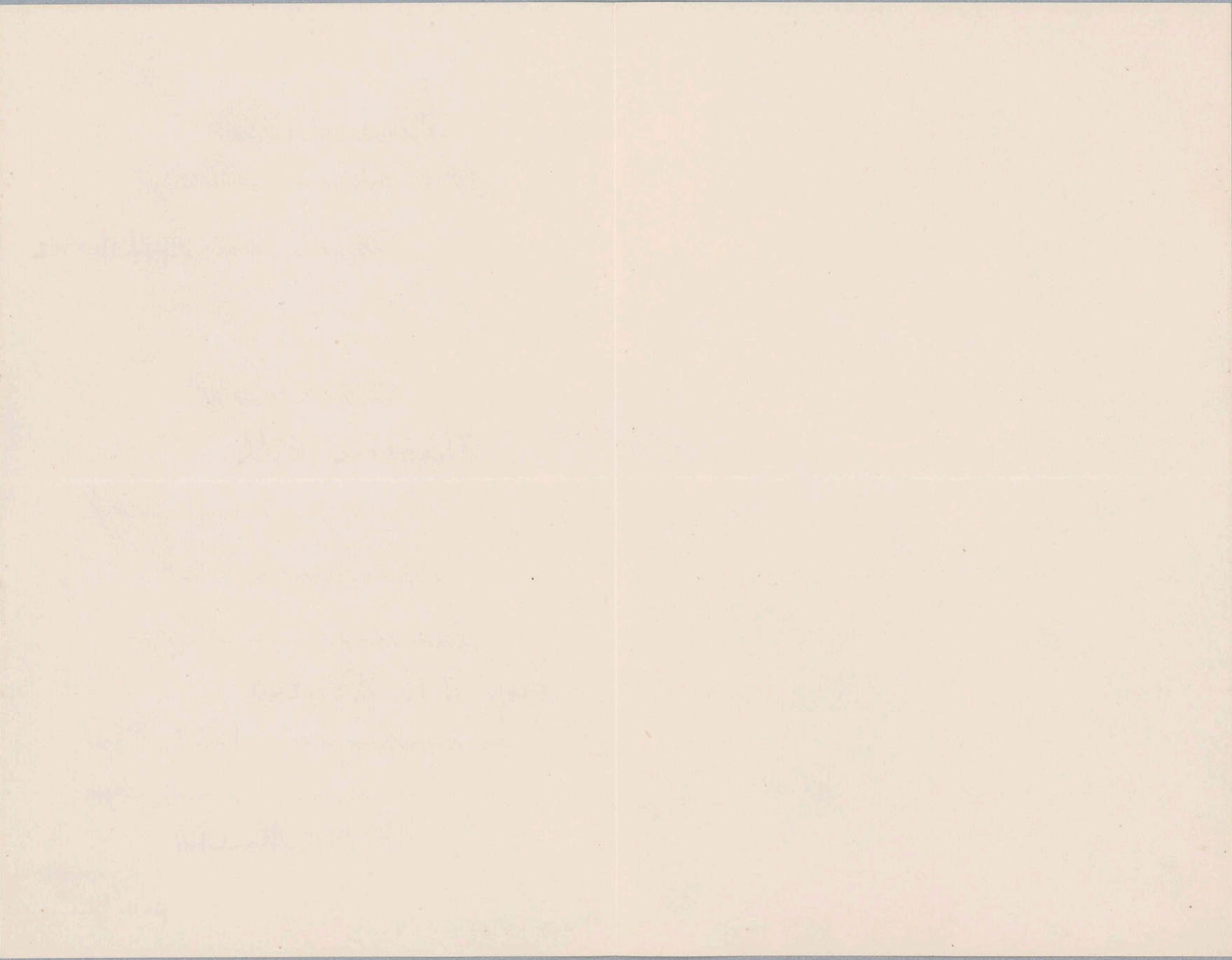
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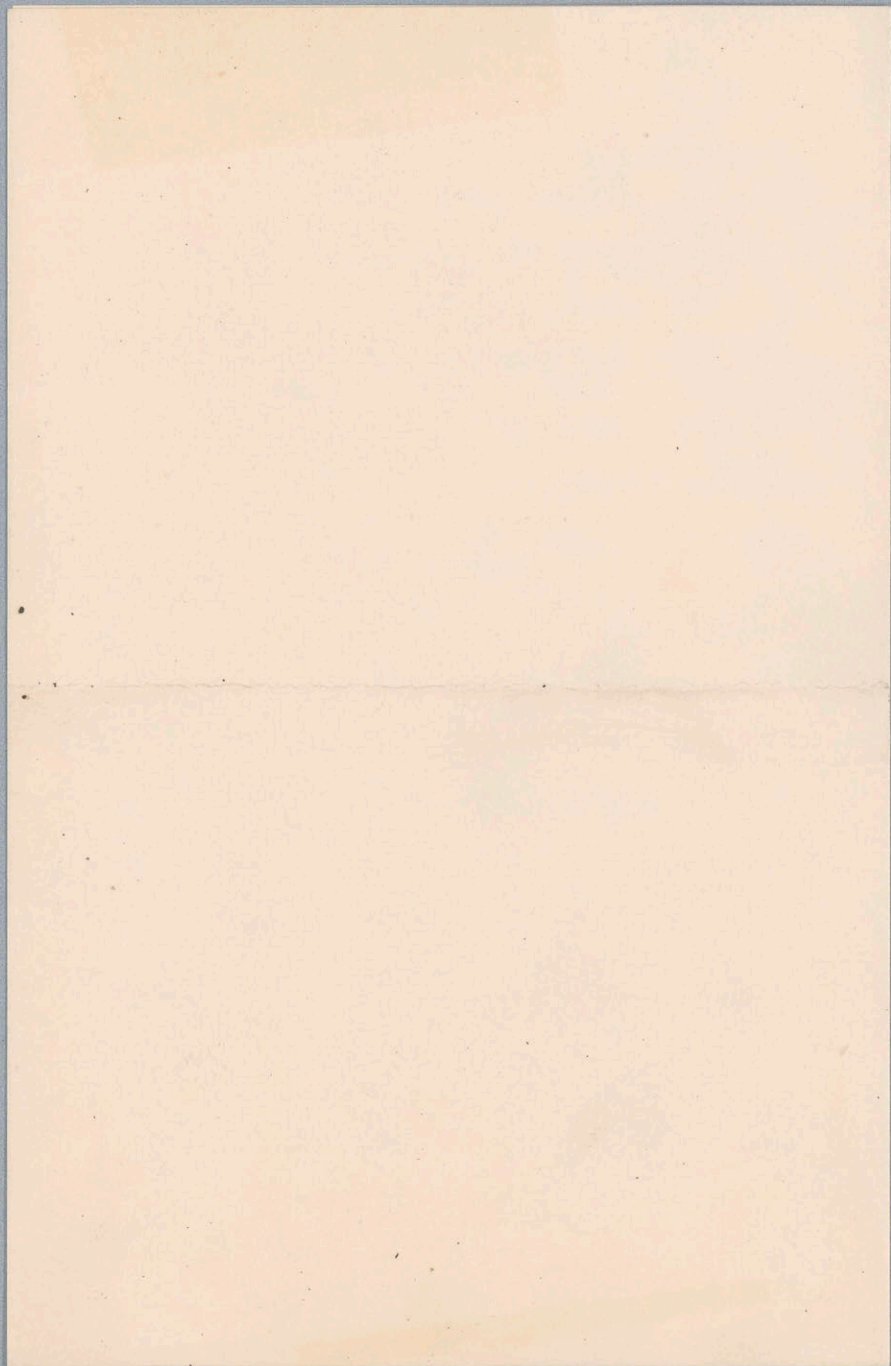
The Board of Management of  
The Cosmos Club

have the honor to extend to  
Prof. W. B. Rogers  
the privileges of their Club House  
for the period of twenty days.  
W<sup>m</sup> Harkness

Secretary.  
pro-tem.

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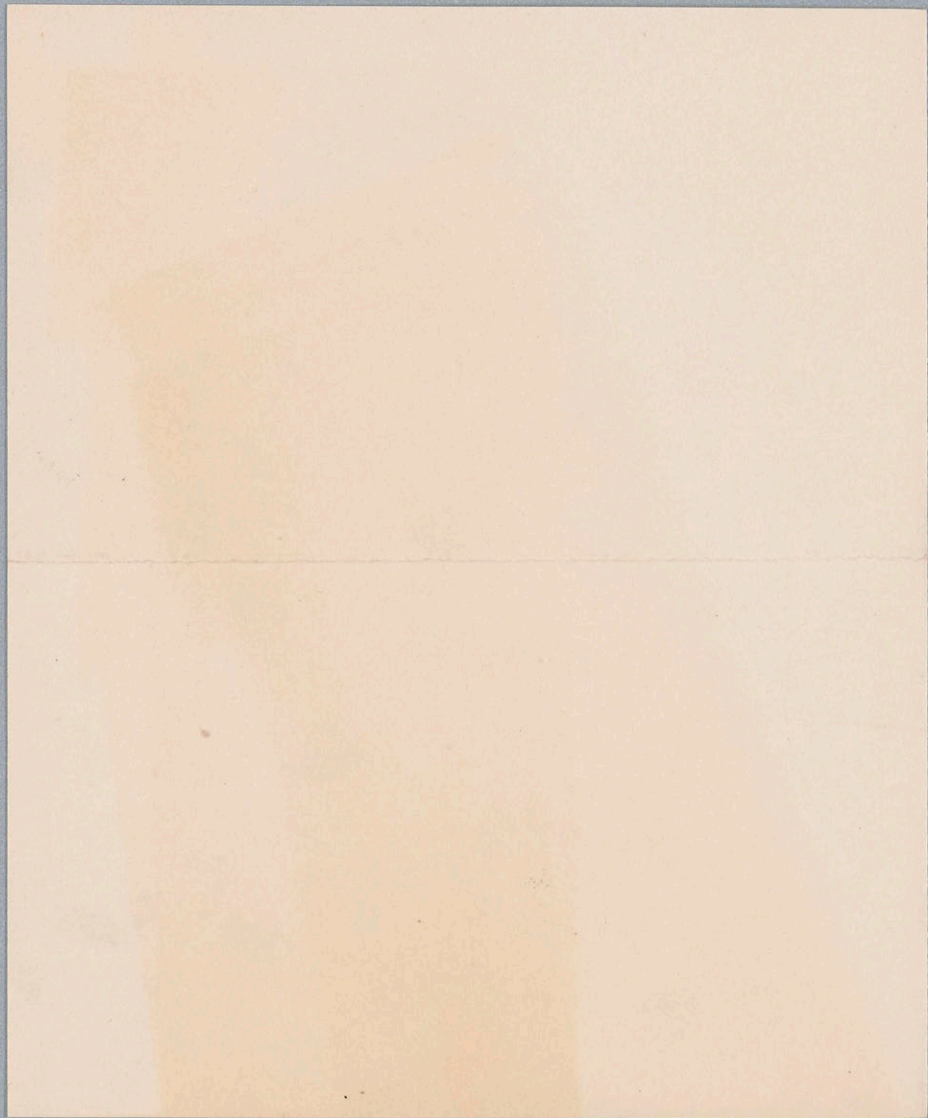


VICE-PRESIDENT'S CHAMBER,  
WASHINGTON,

Judge Davis has the honor to  
accept the invitation of the Se-  
cretary of the Smithsonian In-  
stitution, for Tuesday evening  
the 18<sup>th</sup> instant

April 17. 1882.

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Cosmos Club  
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At the request of  
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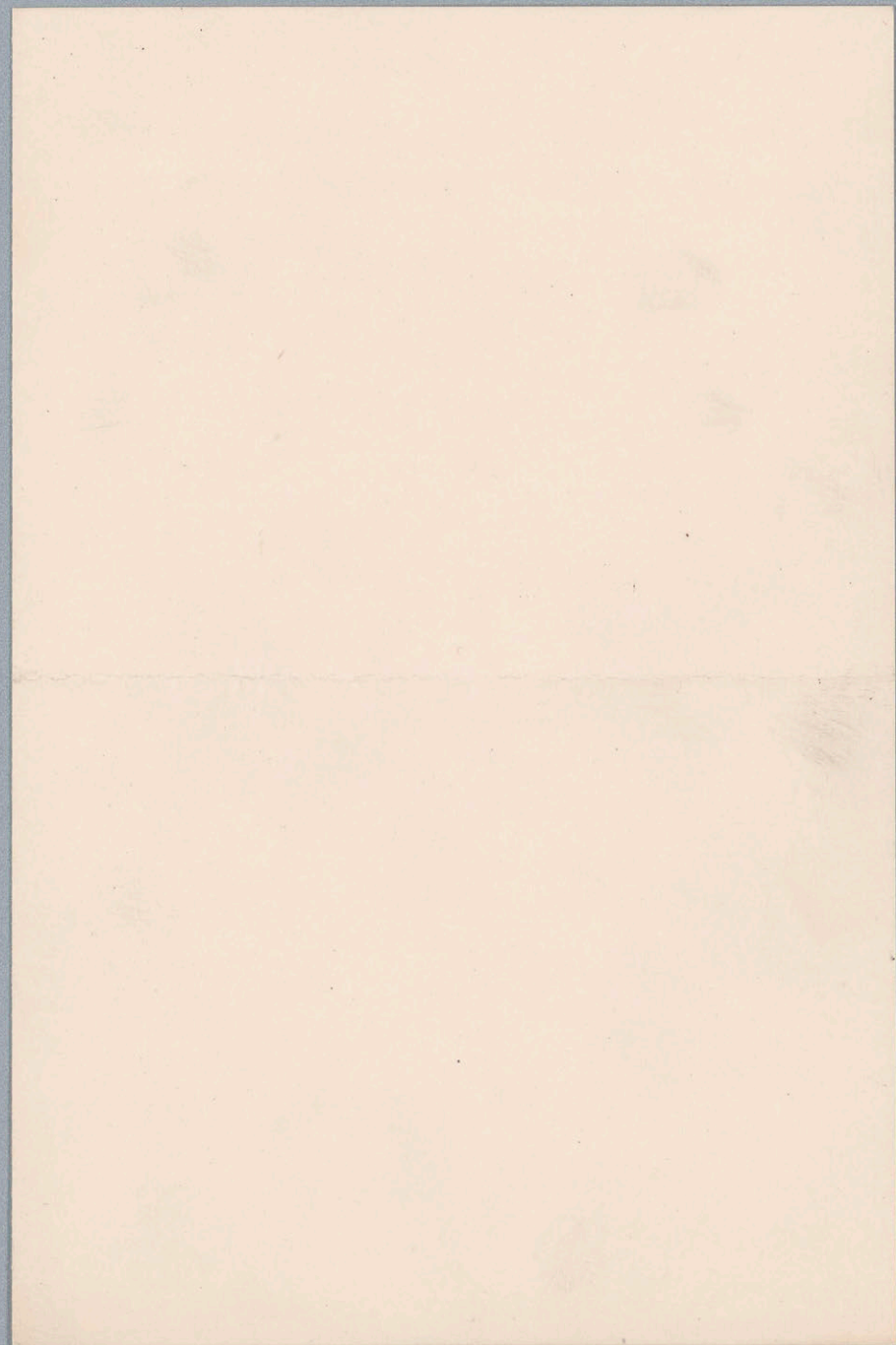
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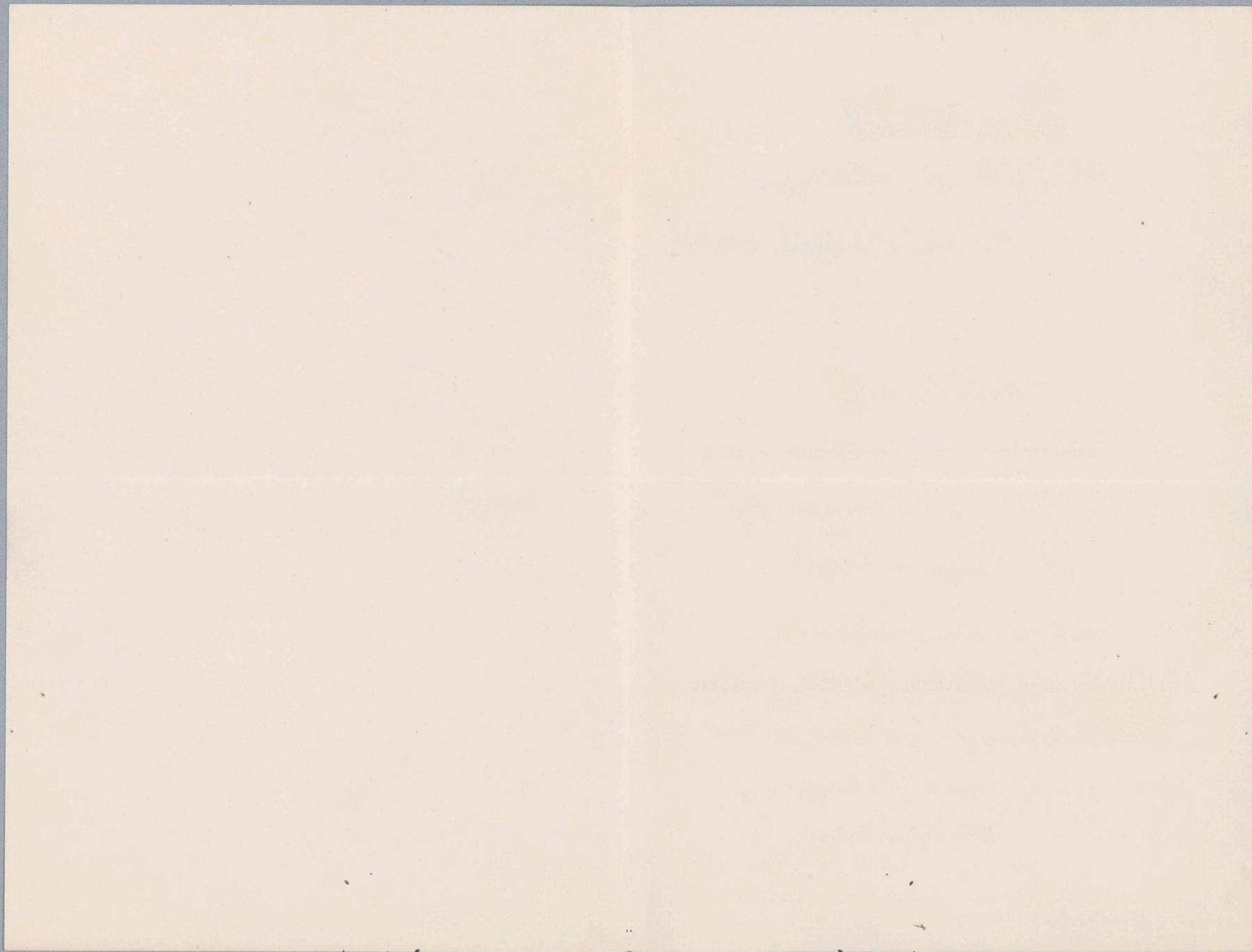
have the honor to extend to  
The Members of the National Academy of Sciences  
the privileges of their Club House  
for the period of twenty days.

Wm Harkness

Secretary.  
pro. tem.

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Office of Public Printer,

Washington, D. C., April 17, 1882.

Prof S. F. Baird

Smithsonian Institution

Washington D.C.

Sir:

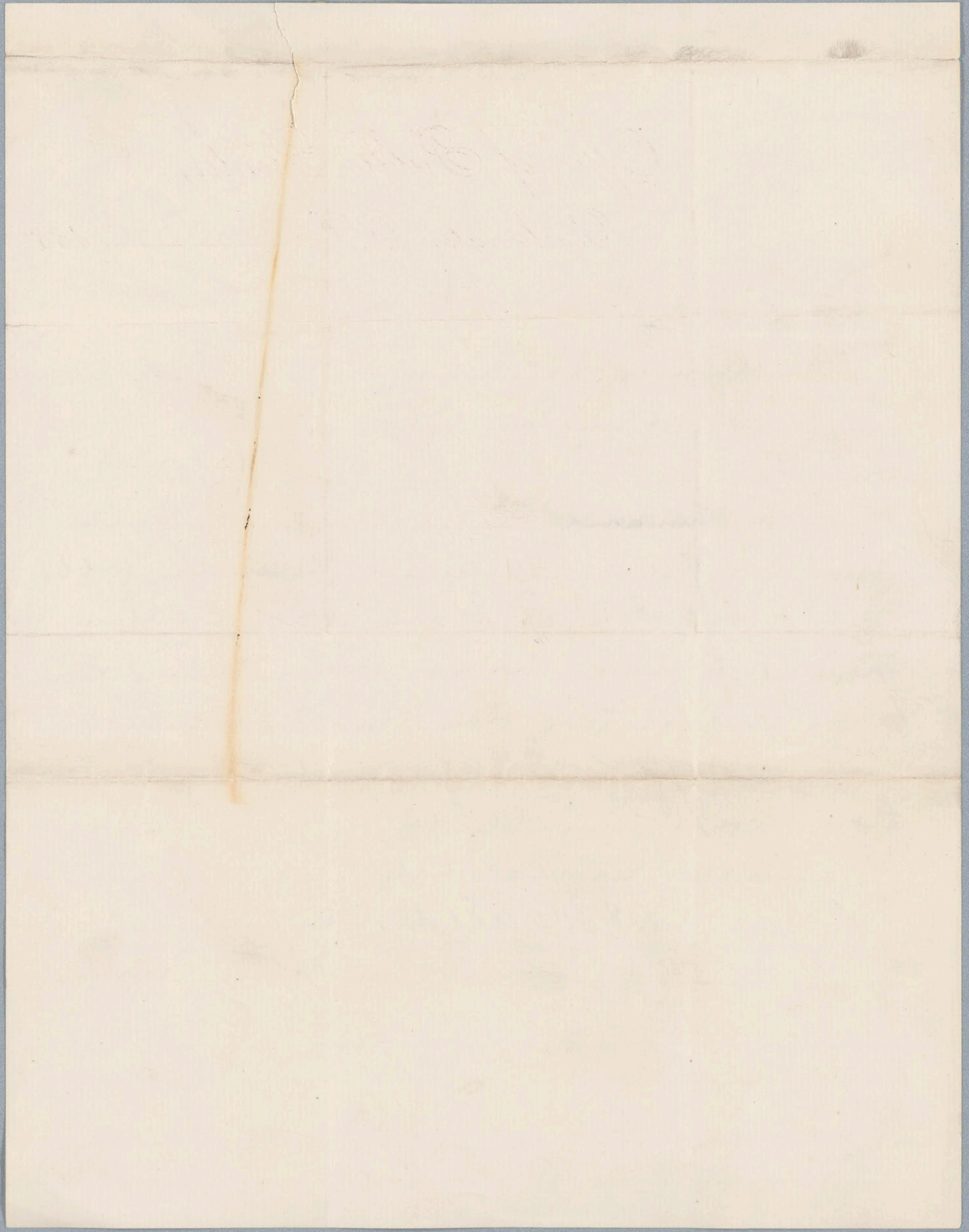
Five hundred extra copies of Senate  
Misc. Doc. No 54, returned herewith, will  
cost about \$14. The only way to obtain  
them is to have Congress order them or  
upon requisition from the Department.

The cost of 500 copies, including composi-  
tion would then be \$43.75

Very respectfully

A. F. Childs, Chief Clerk.

For the Public Printer





# National Academy of Sciences.

## TITLES OF PAPERS REGISTERED

*Tuesday, April 18th, 1882.*

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1. Theory of Concave Gratings.  
*H. A. Rowland.*
2. Preliminary notice of a new Dividing Engine.  
*H. A. Rowland.*
3. The Course of the Gulf Stream since the Cretaceous Period.  
*Alexander Agassiz.*
4. The pre-Cambrian Rocks of Italy, (15 minutes.)  
*T. Sterry Hunt.*
5. Notes on the Geology of Yucatan.  
*Alexander Agassiz.*
6. Dessication of the Plateau of Mexico.  
*Alexander Agassiz.*
7. On the brain of Phenacodus, (10 minutes.)  
*E. D. Cope.*
8. On the young stages of a few osseous fishes.  
*Alexander Agassiz.*
9. The affinities of Palæocampa, Meek and Worthen, as evidence of the wide diversity of type in the earliest known Myriapods.  
*S. H. Scudder.*
10. Description of an Articulate of doubtful relationship from the tertiary beds of Florissant, Colorado.  
*S. H. Scudder.*
11. The relation of rain-areas to areas of low pressure.  
*Elias Loomis.*
12. On the genesis and development of the Chiropterygium from the Ichthyopterygium.  
*Theodore Gill.*

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Charles to attend to matters  
in Conference with  
Carpenter -

Post - via Pro

2 days - Band -

Pondle - Muzi -



EXECUTIVE MANSION,  
WASHINGTON

April 20, 1882.

My dear Sir:

The President will  
be pleased to receive the  
members of the National  
Academy of Sciences this  
evening at nine o'clock.

Very truly yours

Jed. J. Phillips

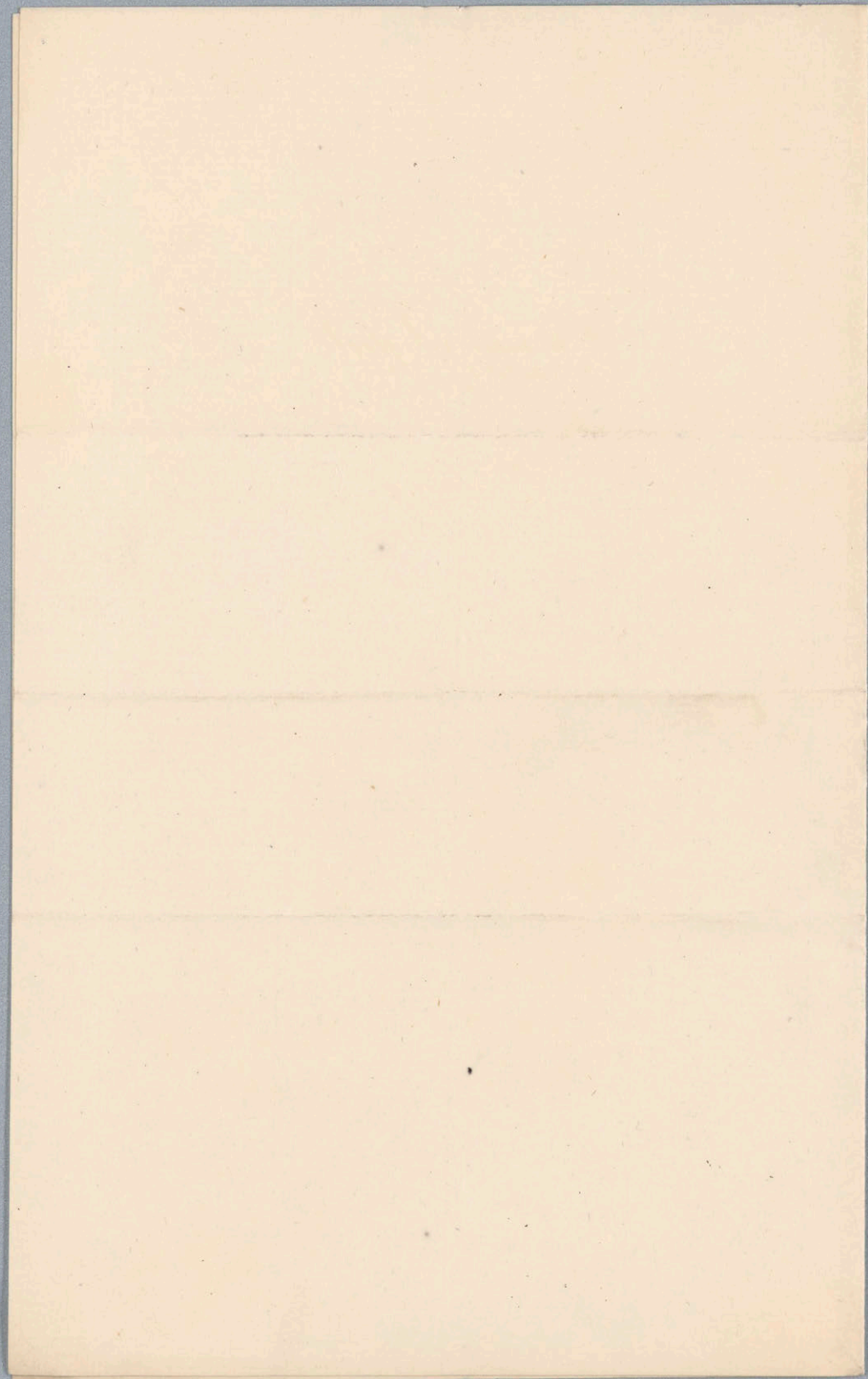
Private Secretary.

Prof. William B. Rogers,  
Presdt. Nat'l Academy Sciences,  
"Wormleys".

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Washington April 20. 1882

Prof. Wm B. Rogers

Pres. Nat. Academy of Sciences

Dear Sir

Several years ago (about 5 or 6 years) the late Dr. Pownall accomplished, under the auspices of the Nat. Academy, a new reduction of the observations upon the principal stars made by La Caille at the Cape of Good Hope. An examination of the work was by our lamented Prof. J. Henry, entrusted to the undersigned & upon my favorable report a suitable compensation was given to Dr. Pownall for the Bache Fund, & the manuscript came into the hands of the Trustees of the latter. Meanwhile a redetermination for the present epoch of all La Caille's stars in the Southern Hemisphere has been finished at the Cape, & Mr. Howe has just published the catalogue derived therefrom. This makes it highly desirable to have Pownall's new catalogue of La Caille printed without delay. La Caille's observations hold the same relation for the Southern Stars as Bradley's for

the Northern, being the first in time of sufficient accuracy for being compared with the modern determinations. And they are of great importance now for ascertaining the proper motions of the fixed stars of high southern declinations.

I take therefore the liberty to address to you the request that either through the council of the Nat: Academy or thro' the Trustees of the Bache fund, steps may be taken for the earliest possible publication of the said Memoir & Catalogue.

With the highest esteem

yours very respectfully

C. H. F. Peters.

May 16. 1882 - Sent the Original of  
the Above, with a letter to Prof. J. D. Dana  
the Ch: of Board of Directors of Bache Fund.

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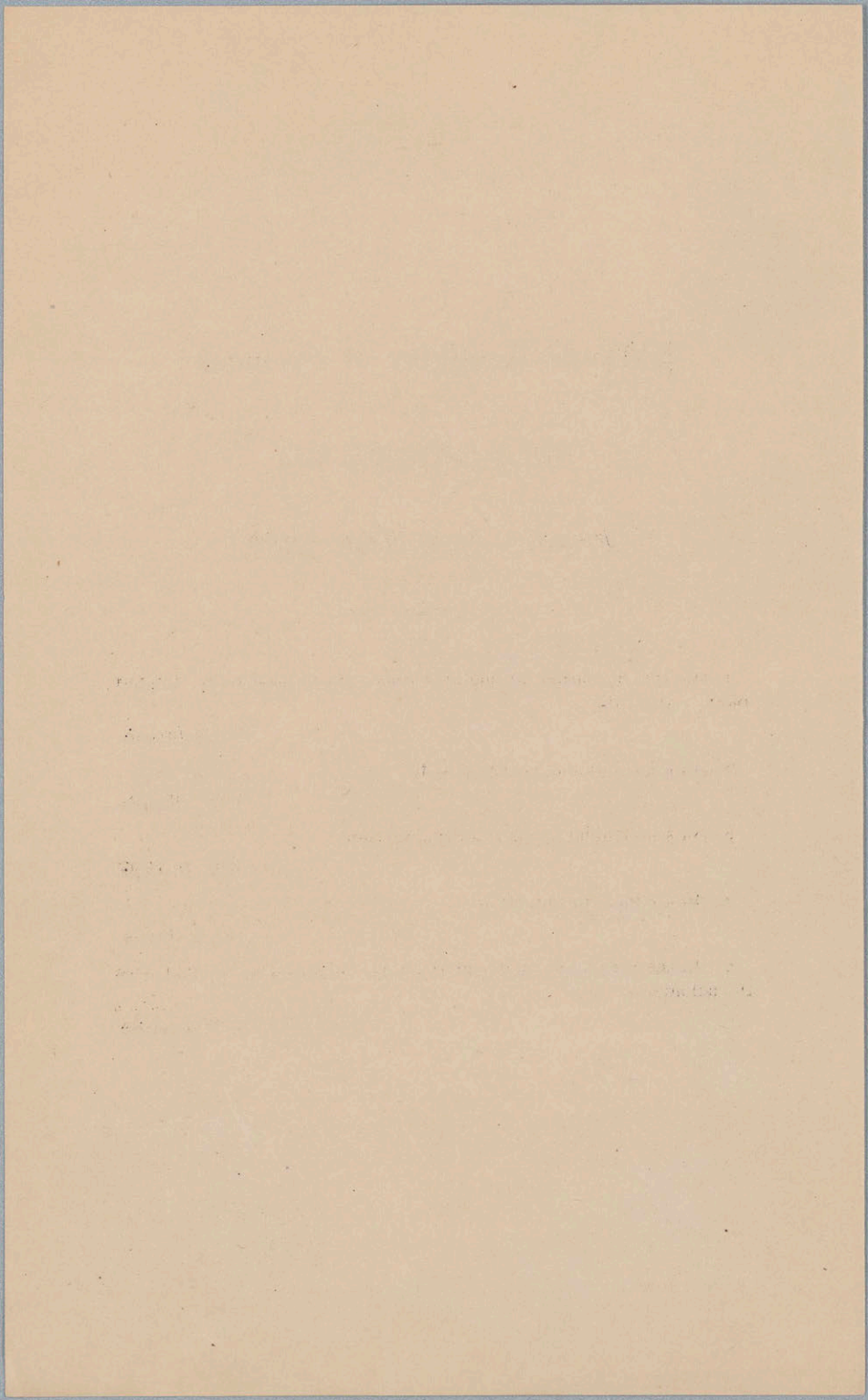
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Friday, April 21st, 1882.

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- Phaenice*
1. On the ~~formation~~ of metalliferous vein-formation at Sulphur Bank, California.  
*Wheately Brewer* — Joseph Leconte.
  2. On a form of standard Barometer.  
A. W. Wright.
  3. On a marsupial genus from the Eocene.  
E. D. Cope.
  4. On a fallacy in induction.  
C. S. Peirce.
  5. On the infra-red portion of the solar spectrum as studied with the bolometer.  
S. P. Langley.

5. Broge Mesmer  
of the late Jonathan H. H. H. H.  
—♦—  
Advised to meet in  
Scepter Supper in the City of NY  
on the 14<sup>th</sup> of Nov. 1882





Coarmley Hotel Washington D.C.  
April 22, 1882.

In conformity with the Provisions of the Constitution of the National Academy of Sciences, which authorizes the President of the U.S. to refer investigations requested by the Gov. of the U.S. to a committee of members of the Academy, and by consent with the subject, I have appointed the following gentlemen a committee to <sup>investigate</sup> the matters the investigations of referred to in the enclosed communication received from the Commission of Internal Revenue of the U. States & to report thereon to the President of the Academy, who will transmit the results to the Department.

Committee - Prof. <sup>S. F.</sup> Remsen - Prof. <sup>S. F.</sup> Barker.  
Prof. <sup>C. F.</sup> Chandler.

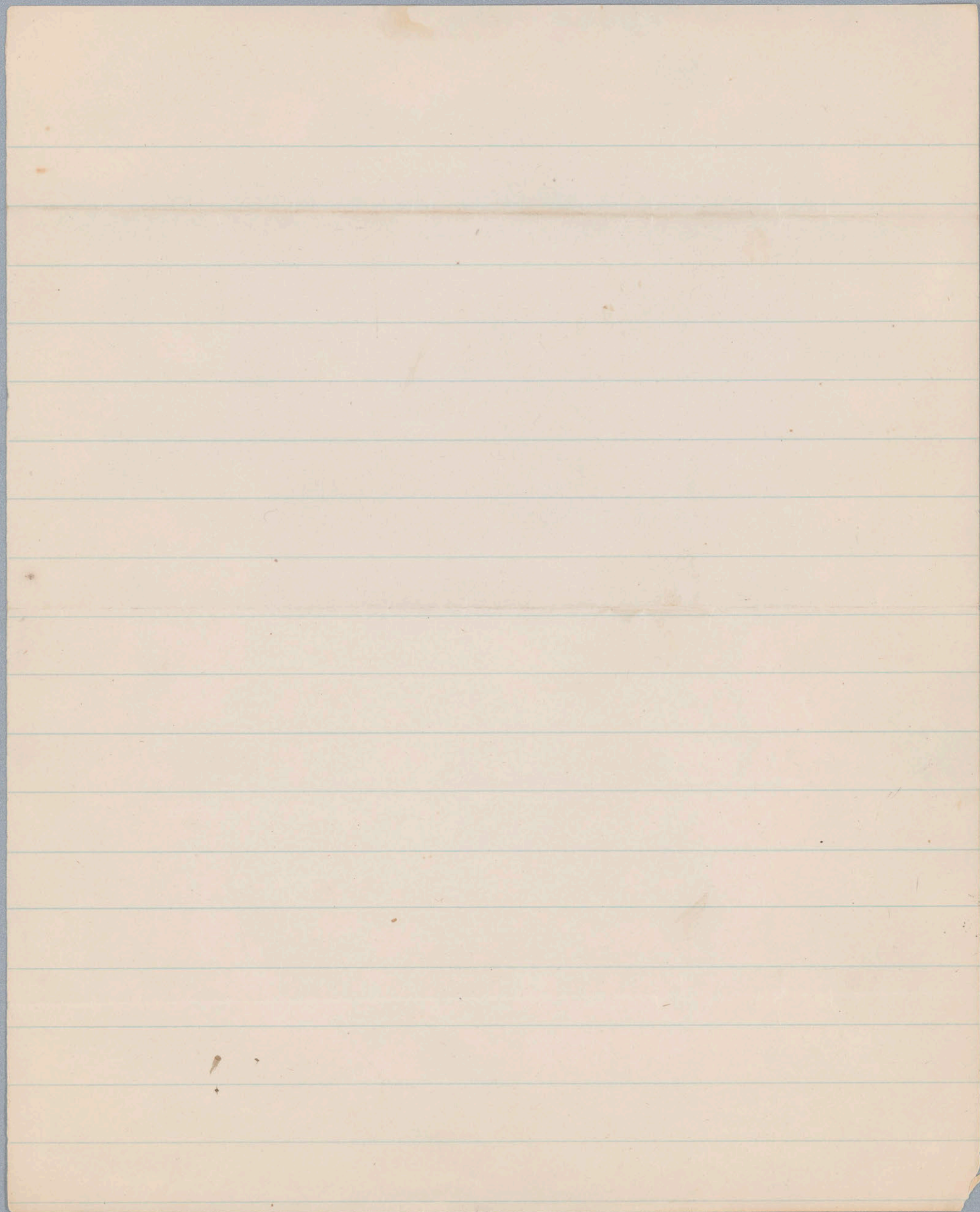
By the Charter of the Acad. "The actual expenses of such investigations, especially of reports, are to be paid from Appropriations made by the Gov. and the Academy receives no compensation for its services." The Gov't

Desiring that you will accept this appointment & making a reply at your earliest convenience. I am dear Sir

Yours very truly

Apr. 22 - 1882.

W. B. R.



For meeting of Council - Apr. 18.

1. Mention letter to Pres Arthur - & my report upon a letter for receipt of Acad. appointed to the P.M.
2. Appoint Com: on Publications consisting of Home Sec<sup>y</sup> and 4 other members named by Pres<sup>y</sup> by a vote consent of Council -  
Old Com: Helges Baird - Asaph Hall, Schott.
3. App<sup>y</sup> Com: to whom shall be referred papers intended for public<sup>n</sup> - to decide whether they should be published -  
This Com: to report to the Com: on Pub<sup>n</sup> Sec<sup>y</sup>  
XIXII as amended.
4. App<sup>y</sup>
4. What course shall we take as to the Nom: of Foreign members, to facilitate the business - ✓
5. When shall the Report of the Geological Com: be presented to the Academy - at a business meeting? I have promised Silliman (Wednesday, March?) -  
When shall it be sent in to the Corresponding Secret<sup>y</sup>
6. Shall the Home Sec<sup>y</sup> be authorized to print a new Edition corrected to date - of The Constitution & Membership? The recent changes in the By-Laws make this important - Or at least an Appendix setting forth these changes.
7. Shall I read at the opening of the Scientific Session my brief notice of Gould - Holbrook - Hadley - Gabb - Caswell - & Meek.
8. Shall the By-Laws of Lane & DeForest read in Scientific Session on the papers - or in the Special meetings. Absen times for the

8 - Continued - On the Death of Dr. Deafen cannot  
according to Rule VII be announced until the last  
day of the Session - Prof. Barker Bragg. Motion passed -  
read until later on that day - Unless said rule  
is suspended (according to X X) on written Motion of  
two members presented at stated Session & approved  
by vote of Majority present! 1

Convent London, 19. Apr. 1882

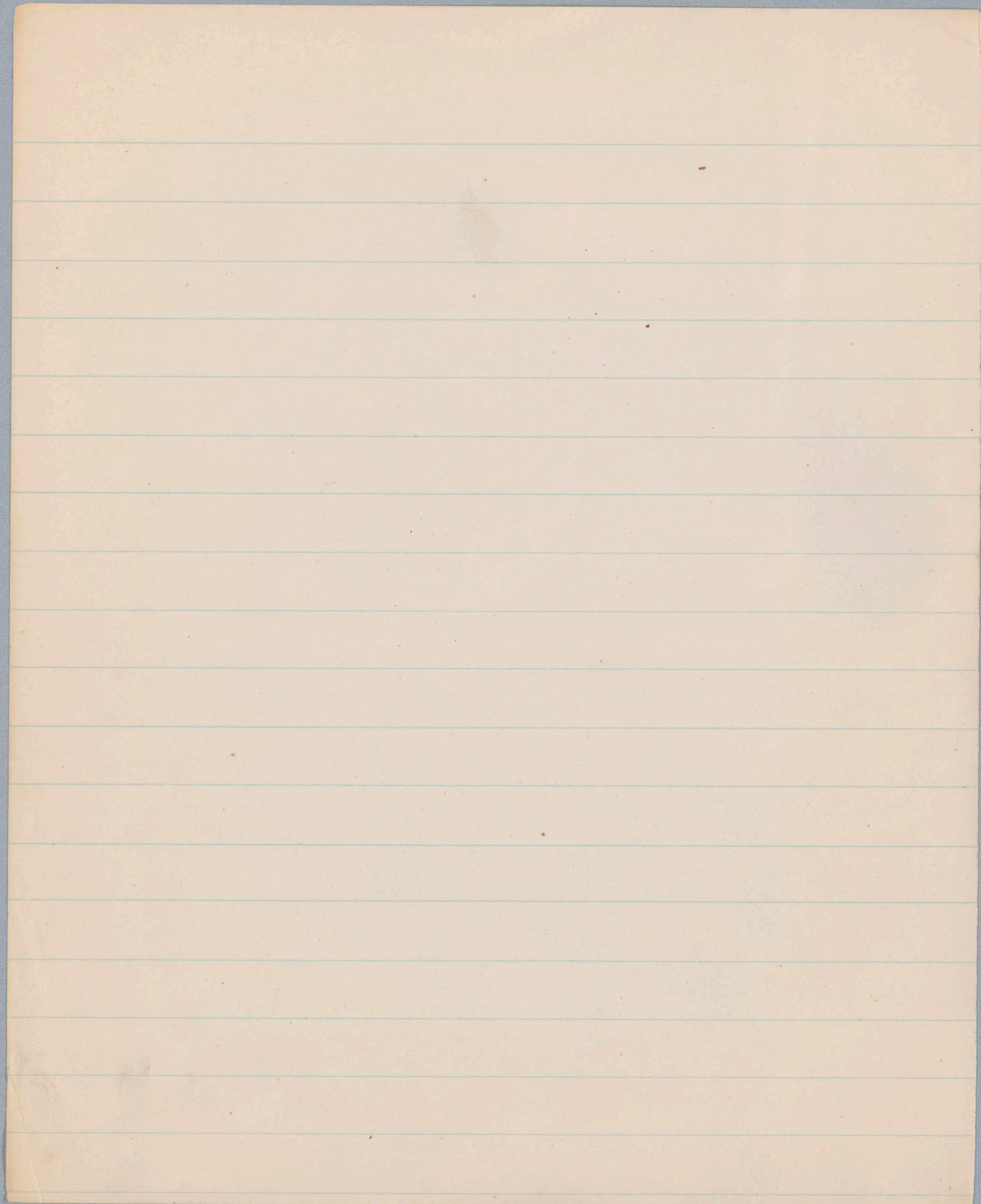
1 - Recommended the App. by Pres. of a Committee  
of 7 consisting the Pres. & Secy & three to be app.  
by Pres. for time to attend to the interests of the Acad.  
in connection with the Socy.

2 - To Proceed to the election of Members on Thursday next.

3 - To request Prof. Johnson to read the Yorkshire  
Report today at hour of Meeting - not to occupy  
15 Mins. in presenting, send abstract for his review.

It being distinctly stated at the time that one  
copy of the Report is to be retained by the Acad: to  
be published with the Ann: Report in part - one copy  
sent to each of the Acad and one copy to be transmitted to the  
Comptroller, & that no publication of it is to be  
authored save by the Acad. - under Commission.

{ 4. Resolved in amendment of the Const. in regard to  
the mode of electing Foreign Associates. }



Meeting of Council Apr. 20, 1882

Resolved that there is a fund amounting to about  
\$ 634.94 accumulated from the bequest of  
Whitely, the bequest of Prof. Baquet. And, he  
applies to Messrs. Gaultier in Physical & Nat. Science

For the use of any portion of this fund  
applies to the Board of Directors of the  
Fund.

Prof. Peter applies for aid for this fund for  
publishing a volume of La Caille's observations of Southern Stars.  
an abstract to send to said Prof. Daker

Call attention to Rule XIII 2<sup>d</sup> part -

and suggest the advisability of its being repealed

By motion signed by two members,  
and approved by a majority of the members  
present.

Alvares  
O'Meara

This rule was repealed at Acad. Meeting of 20<sup>th</sup> Apr. 1882 -  
the old rule making it unlawful for the case of a paper  
by a non-member presented for publication, that a committee should  
be appointed to decide on the propriety of its publication



Agassiz  
Newcomb  
A. Hall  
Lybb  
J. S. Dana  
J. D. Dana

Comm: on Names of Foreign Members

Appointed April 20, 1882

Comm: to attend to the interests of the  
Academy in connection with the Govt.  
Pres - Vice Pres - 2 Secretaries  
with Baird Meigs & Powell  
in all seven members.

Bussing's News April 20 -

(1) Resolution regarding promotion of Foreign Associates  
has adopted -

(2) Comm. to Corp. with leading Institute  
residing in the building - Powell - Langley - Brewer.

Committee by Pres. Agafos - Newcomb - Gibbs - S. Hall  
Jr. D. Dana -

(2) Committee off. by Pres. to report on the  
request for an investigation of the Prachability of  
Remson - Barker - Morton.

(3) Comm. for Prof. Peters on the publication of La Caille,  
obit. and reports, and for Bacha account of

Refer the Document to Prof. J. D. Dana (Ch.  
of Board of Directors of the Bad Fund) and J. E.  
Wolcott Gibbs.

Exec. of G. Prachability of Council.

Same as last year - except Merrill in place

of King -

Remson elected Member of Acad. Election  
closed -

Johnston on N.Y. Nov. 14 Tuesday

Business Meeting of Acad. April 19 - 1881

1. Resolutions for course (No 1) adopted by Academy
2. Professor Sellon read the report of part of the Southern Sug. Rep. - and exhibited various slides of the Sugar - & Diagrams of Collier's work. Occupied 20<sup>m</sup>. after which made the statement referred to in (No 3) of Council Report of this date
3. The amendment of the Const<sup>n</sup> as to eligibility for Ex. Officers - adopted in course of whole. April 1881, was then voted on & was passed by a vote 50 yeas & 4 nays.

Meeting of Council Apr. 21 -

Business Meeting of Academy - 21.

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1. Mention with some last meeting Prof. J. W. Draper & Mr. L. H. Morgan as that I have appointed Prof. to prepare the Bus. Memoir of Mr. Draper & Mr. Powell that of Mr. Myer. The former & probably the latter were presented to the Ac. at the Nov. Meeting.
2. Mention that I have appointed Messrs Remsen Barber & Chandler a Committee to make the investigation requested by Commissioner Rawson.
- 2-3 Resolutions of Thanks, to Trustees of Southdown & to Cosmos Club.
3. Com: to report on the condition & progress of the Geodetic Survey -  
 Much conversation & discussion about the future of the Survey papers in Amherst. Prof. C. Strong proposed -  
 Prof. Gile appointed a Com: of One, to prepare a list of all the papers of the Academy from the year 1810 to the present. On the next report.  
 Adjourned at 5 P.M. to meet Friday - Nov. 14. 1852.

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Answered May 12<sup>th</sup>, Ph<sup>l</sup> 90

Boston April. 24. 1852.

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If this can be done the Institute may say that it is in a condition to receive women students - and the three new

To Mrs R. H. Richards.

Phil<sup>a</sup> May 12. 1882

My dear Mrs Richards

Our absence on a tour in Va  
delayed the resp<sup>t</sup> of your very interesting  
letter to Mrs Rogers of April 26.

In reply I wish to assure you that  
I most heartily favour the purpose  
of including in our new building the  
special accommodations for the use of  
women to wh. you refer, — & knowing  
the interest wh. will be felt in  
such an object by many of the  
generous women of Boston I do not  
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With kindest wishes

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I know you will forgive me for troubling you as it is for the good of the Institute  
Yours affectionately  
Ellen H. Richards

South Lancaster April 24/32

Prof' William B. Rogers-

Mansley's Hotel, Washington D.C.

Dear Sir.

I take the earliest opportunity to answer your kind letter, having been absent at the time it was received. I am very much gratified to learn that the Biography of my son is to be published so soon; and that Prof Gill is to write it, as he was so well acquainted with William, and has such a remarkable memory, that I think it will give a correct account of his life, and labors. I am willing that you should let him have the Newspaper slip, and letter, but would like to have the former returned when he has done with it.

I am very grateful to you for the

interest you take in this, and  
the prompt attention you have given  
it, as I think that without your aid, it  
would have been delayed much longer,  
and perhaps never have been completed.

Yours very truly

H. H. Stimpson



To Prof. W. D. Whitney

April 22,  
1882.

Yale College N Haven C

Dear Sir

Your letter of the 24<sup>th</sup> ult.  
resigning your membership in the AAS  
was communicated to the Academy business  
before today - Whereupon it was  
voted

That the resignation of Prof. W.  
be accepted & that the Academy  
desire in conformity with Prof. W.'s  
request, to assure him of their  
sincere regret at his thus departing  
of his <sup>friendship</sup> ~~cooperation~~ & co-operation.

Believe me  
with cordial good wishes

Yours faithfully

William B Rogers

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Johns Hopkins University,

Baltimore, April 25 1882.

CHEMICAL LABORATORY.

Prof. W. B. Rogers,

President National Academy of Sciences.

Dear Sir:

I have just received yours of the 22d inst. informing me of my appointment as a member of the Committee of the National Academy to investigate the questions with reference to alcohol suggested in the letter of Commissioner Rawn.

The amount of work involved in such an investigation is, as will be readily seen, considerable; and I do

not see how I could personally do the actual laboratory work. If, however, "actual expenses" include the pay of a laboratory assistant for the time occupied by the investigation, I should be willing to superintend the work, and to do my share toward preparing the report.

It may <sup>be</sup> that either Prof. Barker or Prof. Chandler may be able to make arrangements for doing the work. If so, I would be glad to cooperate with them in the matter.

I have written to them ~~the members~~  
~~of the Committee~~ and wish to await their answers before stating definitely



Let me have to write personally to the  
actual laboratory staff of, however, what  
reference to the fact of a labor  
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the investigation, I should be willing  
to undertake the work, and to be paid  
above the normal percentage the report.  
It may be that under Prof. Becker  
a Prof. Charles may be able to  
make arrangements for doing the  
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contract with them in the matter  
I have written to the ~~committee~~  
of the ~~committee~~ and will be glad  
to see you when you return to the office.

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Johns Hopkins University,

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Baltimore,

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CHEMICAL LABORATORY.

whether I can accept the appointment  
or not. As soon as I hear from them  
I shall write you definitely.

You will readily understand that,  
while I appreciate the honor connected  
with the appointment, I hesitate about  
accepting until I can see my <sup>way</sup> clear  
to doing the necessary work.

Yours very respectfully,

Franklin

Johns Hopkins University

Baltimore

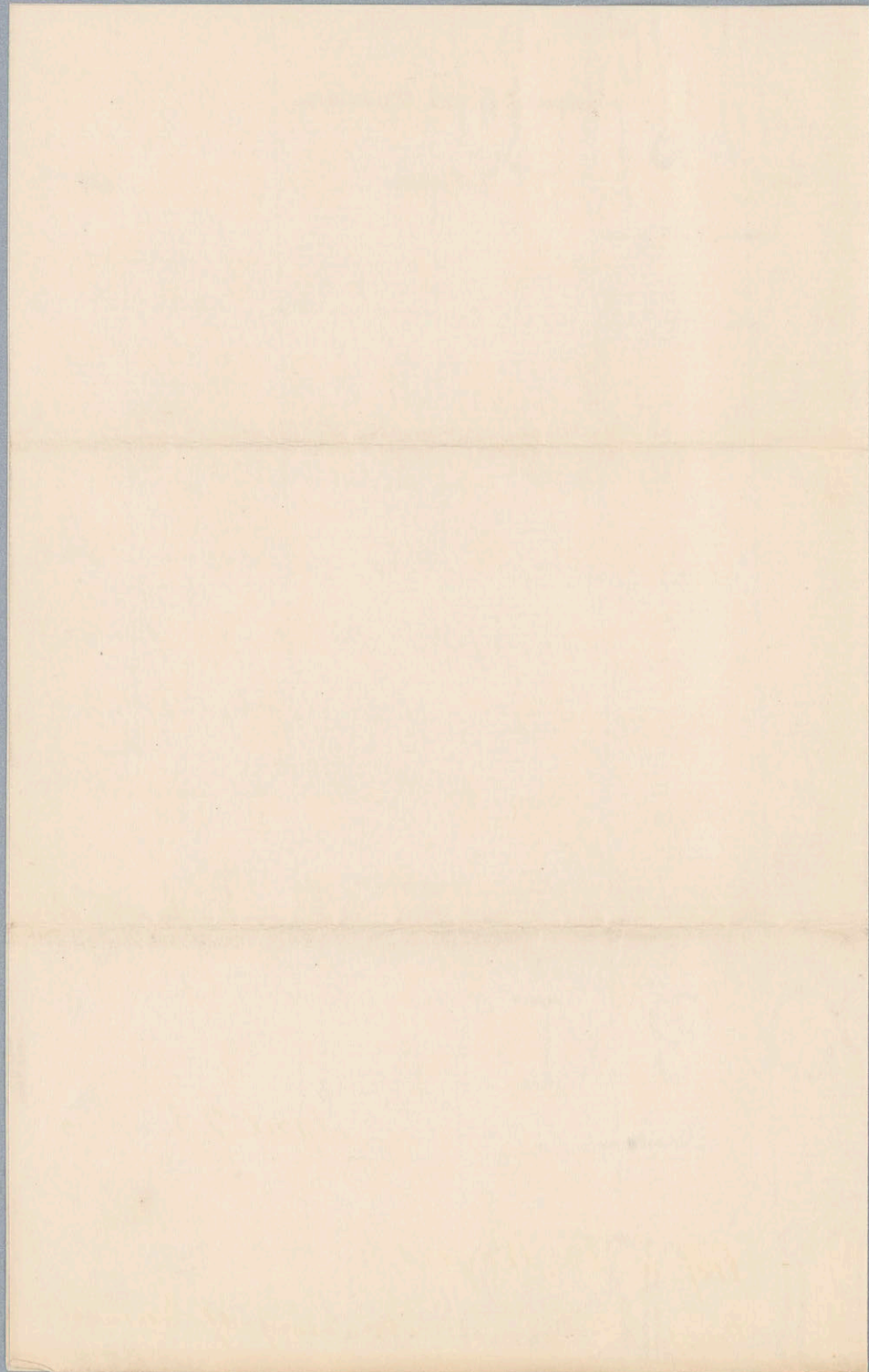
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April 25. 1882

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expected to be the record on the offered  
page.

Newcomb, Meigs - Abbott, King  
Powell, F. A. P. Bernard, H. A. Newton.

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Should King or Powell decline, shall  
choose Newberry.

Ap. 25. Newcomb tells me that King declines.  
N. is now to write to Newberry.

The Pres<sup>l</sup>. laid before the  
Academy a request from the  
Superint<sup>d</sup>. of the U.S. Coast &  
Geod. Survey that a Committee  
be appointed to take cognizance  
of the progress made in the  
Marine Commerce of the Atlantic  
& Pacific Coasts and report  
on 12 Jan. Adopted  
April. 21, 1882.

Transcribed from Minutes April 24,  
1882.

{	Newcomb	F A P Barnard	}
	Meyers	Robert A Newberry	}
	Abbott		}
	King		}
	Pardee		}

in place of Pardee put Newberry -

Nautical Almanac Office,

Navy Department,

Washington, D. C., April 27<sup>th</sup> 1882.

Sir:

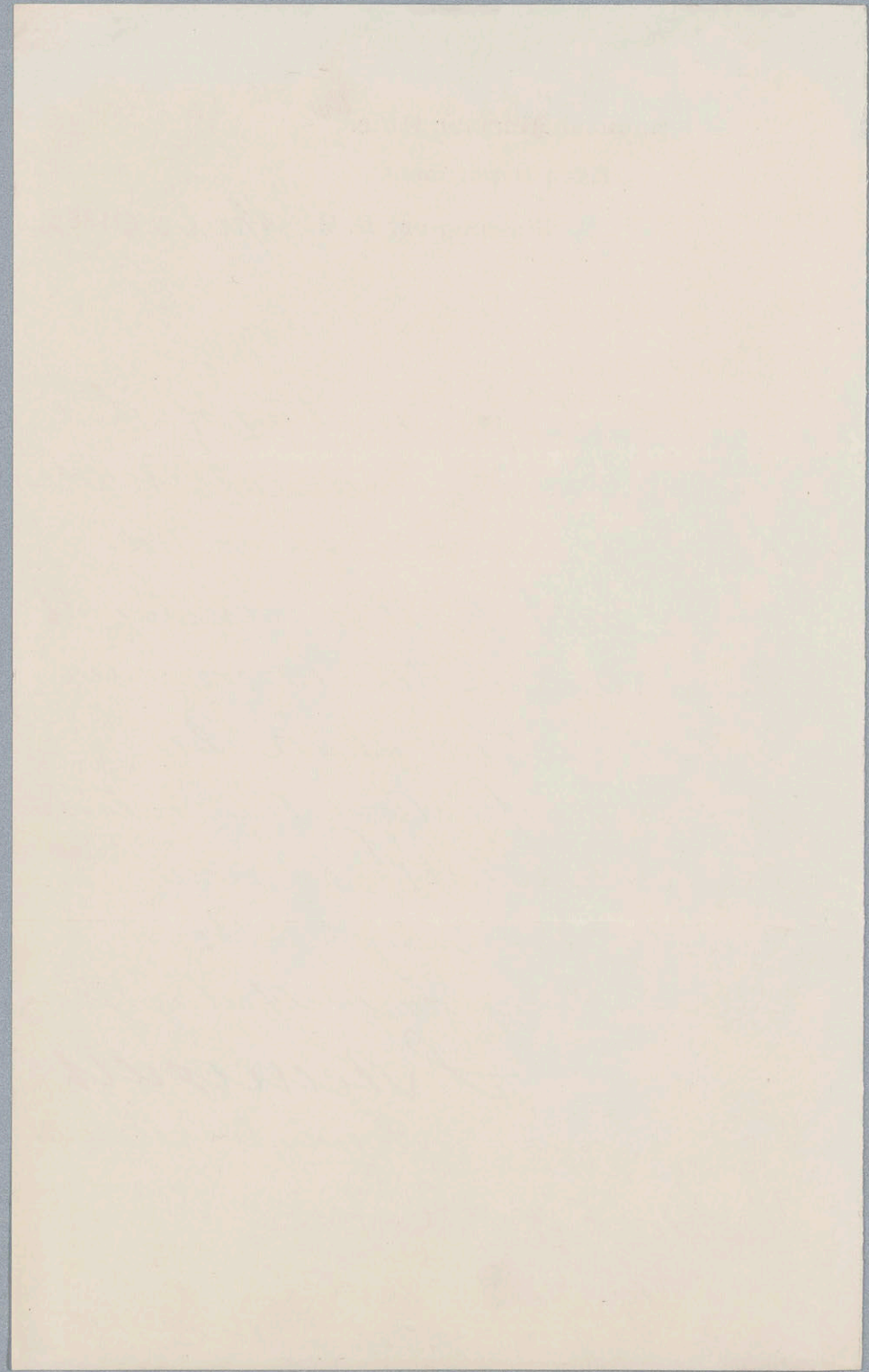
A special meeting of the Council of the National Academy of Sciences is called for 8 o'clock this evening at Wormley's Hotel to consider what action shall be taken respecting the Watson bequest, which is now ready for payment.

Very respectfully yours

S. Newell  
Home Secretary.

President W. B. Rogers

Wormley's Hotel,  
Washington, D. C.





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Washington

April 27/82

Prof. Wm B. Rogers

My dear Sir;

Pardon me for intruding upon you privately, but I am in rather an embarrassing predicament. and you are, I believe, the only person here who understands my position:

I find that the Commr. of Agr. has gone away to be absent probably a week yet - and that he has left no authority to pay my salary or expenses. As I have

actually expended for and on  
account of the Committee,  
of which I am Secretary, under  
instructions from Prof. Silliman.  
\$107.95 in travelling and other  
expenses; and am, I believe,  
entitled to a balance of salary  
for this month of \$50. (at least  
I will be on Saturday!). I find  
myself in a most lamentably  
impecunious state. There is, I  
fear, no way for me to obtain the  
whole amount of \$157.95 at the  
moment, but if you can enable  
me to get \$50. with which to  
defray my expenses until the

Hon. Comm. returns, I will  
be exceedingly obliged.

A line to me at the National  
Museum - care of Prof. Goode.  
will reach me promptly, and  
hoping that you may favor  
me at your earliest convenience  
I am -

With great respect

Yours very truly

J. King Goodrich

Prof. Hon. B. Rogers Ph.D.

Wormley's Hotel

Washington  
D.C.

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Wormley's Hotel

Washington April  
1882.

To His Excellency

The President of the United States

Dear Sir

I have the honor to  
inform you that the  
National Academy of Sciences  
will hold its April Meeting  
in Washington on Tuesday  
the 18<sup>th</sup> inst<sup>d</sup> to continue  
in session for several  
days, & that the Academy  
desires, in accordance with  
the usage, in the case  
of a new Chief Magistrate,  
to be allowed the

opportunity of paying  
its respects to your  
excellency at such time  
during its meeting as  
you may kindly appoint  
for its reception.

I beg to add that the  
Academy would be  
much gratified if you  
could make it conve-  
-nient to be present at  
any of its Scientific sessions.

I am  
with the highest respect  
your obt<sup>d</sup> Serv<sup>t</sup>

William B. Rogers.  
Pres. Nat. Acad. of Sc.

The growth of the School of Industrial Science now made necessary the discussion of plans for a new building. Mrs. Ellen H. Richards, the first woman to graduate from the Institute and afterwards in charge of the "Woman's Laboratory", proposed to secure funds from lady friends of the Institute for special accommodations for women students in the proposed building

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Yours affectionately,

Ellen H. Richards.

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