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Dear Hodgkin

I have just received your letter of the 20th & am much surprised that you have not received mine of the 18th which I posted on the 19th. I have written you a letter every week since I left London & I am sure that I have not missed a single post. I am very sorry that you have been ill & I hope that you will soon be quite well again. I am very busy just now & have not much time for writing letters. I am working very hard & am getting on very well. I have been very much interested in my work & have enjoyed my stay in Berlin very much. I am looking forward to seeing you all again soon. I am sending you a few photographs of myself & my family. I hope you will like them. I am sending you a few photographs of myself & my family. I hope you will like them. I am sending you a few photographs of myself & my family. I hope you will like them.

I have again the long and royal journey [illegible]

[illegible] about royalty. In regard to what you say about Dr Tooley & Dr Glaze, I intended to have written to them [illegible] this month but should not have time. I should be very sorry to be the means of disturbing him at all in his [illegible] in the college. I doubt if he would admit of any adjunct and besides I have made up my mind to be entirely upon my own hook after my return. In regard to Dr Glaze, if I were write him I should have to [illegible] as he lectures and to use all his apparatus & methods, in short to follow precisely in his footsteps. I could not in [illegible] follow some very own judgment in any matter relating to the mode of lecturing & illustrating lectures. I do not therefore mean my case Dr Glaze should actually make me an offer except of it. Say I have made much [illegible] in Analysis quite close and attained to no small delicacy and skill in manipulating and by the time that I return I shall have a perfect control over both departments of analytical chemistry Inorganic & Inorganic. Therefore I intend to stand on my own legs and make my way up till I can command a professorship and do something solid for science. Dr Tooley's idea of opening a school is not a bad one and I may turn my attention seriously to it. It is possible that it will not be a great success but in a year or two may do well. Dr Jackson & Dr Gilliman Brown have to cash such a school but both are badly deficient in skill as analysts, to judge from what Dr Tooley tells me of them. I want to see some good big things done for science in America and not such dribbling as we have so long had to tolerate. You say nothing of the Dr's exam. so let me know whether they went regularly and whether they are likely to commence [illegible] again. If they will send me their transactions I will dispose of them to good advantage here and will make their exchanges of the society known to other learned societies here. Gilliman has been here a few days & he came in upon me one evening to my great astonishment, he has let his beard grow & I hardly recognised him I saw him however but once, as he was out when I called, which I did several times. Tell him this & you see him. He will soon be again in America. Dr Tooley brought a very remarkable specimen with him & he is now analysing them and when your & Gilliman's specimens arrive we we shall hopefully unite a paper together for Silliman. Did you send the box to Tooley & Putnam & in London by packet or how?

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