



Feb. 6. 1871.

My dear Professor,

I wish I could  
show my sense of your  
kindness, by at once  
accepting your invitation:

but on the 29th of  
October, if I live, I  
am positively engaged  
here. And, indeed, if



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late, demands upon  
my time in town  
which, for various  
reasons, I find it  
almost impossible to  
resist, have deprived  
me of almost all  
spare time: while  
my duties both here &

there are untranslatable.

Forgive this, wh. is only  
by way of explanation,  
& accept my renewed

thanks I am, ever,

Yours most truly

W. S. Liddell

The Rev Professor Lightfoot  
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