

May 22, 1917

My dear Pollard:

I duly received your favor of May 2d, and note your news and comments.

X I have noticed the death of Henry B. Wheatley in our American papers; and remember with much gratitude my brief acquaintance with him. Indeed, all the members of the Bibliographical Society Council have shown me unvarying kindness. Mr. Graves I never met but once, and that was at a little dinner you gave me in Regent Street when I was sandwiched between Mr. Huth and Dr. Garnett.

(I fear Winship has to be constantly prodded as he is temperamentally a lazy man. It might be a good idea to prod him occasionally about the American Advisory Committee.

We have had a wonderful week in New York welcoming Marshall Joffre, Mr. Balfour, Viviani, and the other members of the Commission. New York outdid itself.

We had a farewell dinner the other night in the old Grolier Club building in 32d Street, and hope to move into the new building in 60th Street about the first of July. When next you come to America I hope to show you a library room worthy of the 13,000 volumes we now have.

Your remarks about Plomer are very entertaining. I very seldom have had the experience of being dunned for a bill of ten shillings; and I felt sure the "wolf"

must have been pretty near his door to have prompted such action.

Of course you have heard about the Bridgewater Library coming to this country and transferred to Mr. Huntington's already rich collection. The Scriptures will have to add one more thing that is never satisfied.

With kind regards to Mrs. Pol-
lard, and to Joyce, in which Mrs. North joins,
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Yours very truly,