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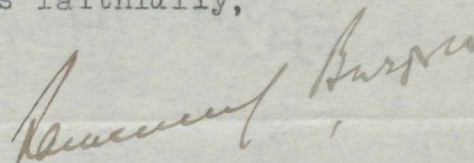
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Dear Sir William Peterson,

In regard to the question of the Presidential Address, I should have said in writing you this morning that this is specifically provided for by the By-Laws of the Royal Society. If you will refer to Section XVII of the By-Laws you will see that it is provided that "it shall be the duty of the President of each Section, or in event of his being unable to do so, of the Vice-President, to prepare an address having reference to the special objects of the Section, for each Annual Meeting".

Yours faithfully,



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