

are specially invited to be present.

As a result of careful consideration in the selection of the one who should give the special address it has been unanimously decided to extend to you a cordial invitation to be present at the ceremonies and to give this address.

There are special reasons which determined this decision, one of which only may be specified:- the University desires to promote and maintain a camaraderie in Scholarship and Science with the Universities in the great centre of the Empire. In its Faculties have served some, such as Rutherford, Bovey, Soddy, Adami, Callendar, Osler and McBride, to name only a few, who in such service have achieved a distinction which led to their call to serve in a similar or other responsible capacity in Oxford, Cambridge, and other Institutions of Learning of Great Britain. To have, therefore, on the coming occasion a representative of the oldest University in the Empire deliver to it and its constituency a message of cheer and good will would greatly enhance its affiliation and its kinship with the scientific and academic world across the sea and it would be a noteworthy event in the history of the University.

You, as President, of the Royal Society, as a leader in Science in Great Britain, and as a Physiologist of distinction, are preeminently qualified to carry the message and to deliver the address. It is a call for service to which you will, we hope, favourably respond.

I may add that the University will meet the expenses of your transportation to Montreal and from there back to Oxford again. You will be the guest of the University while in Montreal.

In the hope that I shall have the