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Dear Hetherington,

Please see Farmer's letter enclosed.

I am glad he had been able to go into  
matters so thoroughly.

Perhaps the best plan will be to adopt his  
suggestion for a conference here next week and on  
night at least manage to fix a day and hour  
for this on Friday evening.

Yours sincerely

D. Prain

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Sir David Prain

I will manage a good many alternative times  
next week & we can fix on one at Kew. (What I shd.  
like as a result of the talk is a short memo. wh. might  
continually go to the D.C. (if that is necessary) & then to the C.A. Office  
as our St<sup>d</sup>.

If you are going to Kew from the office  
might we go together?

Chas.  
7/6.