Dear Mr. Middleton Todd,

I suggest we might make a start before Easter if I come up on the mornings of the 15th, 17th, and 18th, the last two being put in consecutive days to avoid Good Friday. I should be guided by you as to how far subsequent sittings should be spread out.

I could be in Campden Street, I should think, about 11 to 11.15, and on most occasions you could, if you wanted to, catch me for a further spell in the afternoon, but I imagine you will have had enough after a couple of hours painting or so.

I ought to sit in a red academic gown (that for the Cambridge Sc.D.), which contrasts scarlet and pink in a way which some people do not like, and, being a very untidy person, I am prepared to take your advice if you tell me to go and get my beard trimmed, or anything of that sort!

Sincerely yours,