

Hardwick Parsonage, 70
Feb. 8. 1868.

My very dear Arthur,

You have been most kind & friendly in this matter - & if it can be managed without giving much trouble, my father, who sends his kind regards & best thanks, would be very much obliged by the loan of the Lords and Commons Journals - which, you are doubtless aware, are two separate sets - from March 15, 1642 to Aug. or Sept. 1646. -

~~They~~ They had best be directed to my father or myself, Care of Mr. With, Blue Coat School, Hereford - the result of which will be, that if I do not bring them myself from Hereford in some Cheltenham journey, Mr. With will forward them at once, & save the detention apt to be caused by change of Rail. But you will kindly write when you see you way more clearly. Perhaps it may be against rule to allow more than one vol. at a time - if so, please let it be the first Commons Journal after March 15. 1642.

I am very, very sorry that you, or your good father, should feel so much disappointed - I asked Mr. Woodhouse's successor Mr. Pope - (knowing nothing myself of such matters) what was the value of your position - he said it was decidedly

a good degree. As it w^d? be the more so this year, as the
standard he said was an unusually high one. Depend upon
it, it is all right. —

I am copying out a few Observ^s on Linné for the R. A. S. &
think to send them time enough for Friday's meeting — Should dare
say you will be there — but I don't expect they will be read —
as being the grand Annual Meeting with Report &c. I don't
imagine any private communications will come forward. —

But perhaps they may have a chance at the following meeting — unless
they consider (which they ought not) that Linné is worn out.

We shall have a most elegant — mannered & courteous President

I must add now how very much I am,

(By your Obedt^l)

Your affectionate friend — J. W. Webb.