

COOPERS HILL,  
ENGLEFIELD GREEN,  
SURREY.

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dry diffusion of  
a solid into hot  
flame.  
Also means dry-  
fired another  
chamber of pot. Res.

May 3/96.

Reilly's place will not be  
vacant till next Easter, as he  
has been granted an extension.

Tell this to Alexander.

Wilson got elected to R. S., &  
I would have telegraphed to  
you but I felt too disgusted  
at Frouton's failure. When the  
Council came down & I saw  
the list, I said to Horace Lamb  
"well, there were only two bogus

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Candidates for election, & one of them has got in! It is a shame that a mere War Office official should get in, while Frouton, whose life is spent in Scientific work & discovery, is kept out."

"Well" said Lamb, "we must do something to recognise the Defence of the Empire, and Frouton is a young man who is perfectly safe to get in another time."

If it is any consolation to Frouton to know this, tell him.

I am not certain about going to Westmeath in Sept<sup>r</sup>; but if I do, perhaps you would be able to spare a few days from nursing.

Our Crookes tube struck work—developed too high a vacuum. We put it for 3 hours into a hot air oven & kept it at 200°C, with result that for a minute its vacuum was too low; the platinum electrode got red hot; but after 1 minute it settled down to the right phosphorescence & was much better than ever.

With respects & regards to Mr. F  
& the f's,

M.