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Dr Fitzgerald

I brought the matter of O.H. before
the Council of the Physical Society
explaining all that we had done.
Riicker explained that the function
of the Relief Committee (as usually
construed by them) was to supply
rather on sudden need (or death
of a fellow); a temporary stop gap
on the idea that the need was only

temporary. I had told the Council
that Lord Rayleigh spoke of our
possibly getting £400 & yet when
Riicker was speaking he mentioned
casually £200. Atkinson (& this
is very curious) suggested that the
Physical Society should also subscribe.
Anyhow the Council unannouncedly
adopted my resolution.
I explained what you were doing
as to Heaviside's Consent

I have no doubt about our course
in spite of what Rayleigh & Foster
stated, I ~~think~~ ^{think that we ought} to try for a

government pension & we must
not let the relief committee think
that we shall give that idea up
but that as the pension may
be difficult to obtain, a temporary
gift of £400 just fits the case

I wish now that H's

brother would write. I have heard
nothing further from him

I wish we had put
into the memorial something
about H's feeble health

You know & I do not, how
~~Bill~~ Bill he usually is - Can
you tell me something for
Rueker. I hope to get him to
let our memorial accompany
his letter. Anyhow the memorial
must get to the relief committee

Yours truly

Wm Perry

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