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Dear Professor Fitzgerald,

Next Wednesday our  
Council will appoint a suc-  
cessor to Gray in the Chair  
of Physics. There are six  
selected candidates including  
our two Demonstrators E. Taylor  
Jones & Baillie. The others  
are

J. A. McClelland of Trin. Coll. Cambrij

Ch. H. Lees of Owens' Coll.

Will. Peddie " Edinburgh

R. W. Stewart Princi<sup>l</sup> of the

Technical College at  
Southampton.

Stewart was formerly with

us, but we want further  
information about the first  
three.

McClelland (29) is an Ulster  
man studied at Queen's Coll.  
Galway then migrated to Cambridge  
where he is now Demonstrator  
at the Cavendish. J. J. Thomson  
speaks very highly of his  
research on the Lenard Rays.

Lees (35) is a product of  
Victoria from first to last  
& has very strong <sup>breaking</sup>  
from Owens' <sup>(where is he Physic<sup>l</sup> Demonstrator)</sup> both personal  
& scientific, eschew<sup>d</sup> from Schuster.

Peddie (38) is likewise a pure  
product of Edinburgh where  
he has been Demonstrator

since 1883 being promoted in  
1892 to the lectureship in Natl  
Philosophy. He seems to have  
been ~~an~~ most successful as  
a teacher, but the evidence  
of original power seems less  
strong.

I should be greatly  
obliged if you wd. give  
me your views (in confidence  
if you prefer it) on the  
~~relative~~ comparative merits  
of these three men as repre-  
sentatives of Physical Science.

We return to Bangor  
tomorrow.

With our united

Kind regards to Mrs.  
Fitzgerald,

Believe me

Yours Sincerely

H.R. Reibel

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