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My dear friend,

Your Wollaston medal has been placed in the hands of the officials of the Aust. Hung. embassy and they have undertaken duly to forward it to you.

I was sorry not to be present at the Anniversary dinner - last Friday - so that I might have said something on the subject of your geol. labours, - but I



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was kept away by a public duty,  
having been appointed to a Committee  
of the Admiralty on the subject of  
explosions on board ship, and the  
means of ventilating the places  
in which coals are stowed for  
the Navy. Thus at the time of  
the meeting I had to be making  
experiments on ships at Portsmouth,  
and I think with the aid of a pretty  
little Indicator - newly devised, we  
shall get some important results.

Believe me  
Truly yours  
Warington W. Smyth



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