

Kind - Golds.

210, Regent Street.
London



12 Dec^r 1863

My dear Sir

I wish to speak
with you on a subject I cannot
well write about. Therefore if
you would have the goodness to
call here I should be obliged.

You will find me on
Monday - Wednesday or Thursday
next week between Two & Four
O'clock

I am
my dear Sir
yours truly

L. Lucas.

To Otto Goldschmidt Esq^r

My dear Sir.

Decr 17 1863

Since seeing you on Monday, I have given
full consideration to the
communication ^{the kind and flattering} ~~proposal~~ ^{name} which you made to me ~~verbally~~
~~that you intended it was your intention~~
~~on Monday, when I had the pleasure~~
~~to see you, to communicate~~ ^{propose} me
to the Board of Directors of the
Royal Academy of Music ~~the~~ ^{pre-arrangement to} the
Professor of Piano-forte, to undertake
~~the teaching of~~ ^{becoming} vacant
~~(the Chair, which falls~~
through the resignation of Mrs. Thomson,
has received my full consideration
and I beg to reply to your proposal
as follows:

Should the Directors ^{think} ~~deem~~ ^{it} ~~fit~~ ^{to}
appoint ⁱⁿ ~~me~~ ^{accordance} ~~to~~ ^{with} your
suggestion, I shall feel pleasure
in accepting the post, because
though as you know, I do not
teach generally, I shall feel
proud to be connected with
your Institution as the Professor
serving upon it, and ^{also} because
~~it will afford me satisfaction to endeavour~~
to be (in a humble way) useful.

intend making music their
avocation

} Detached for the mind
to those, who are to make music
their profession and ~~whose~~ ^{the} develop-
ment ^{of those talent} ~~is~~ ^{will} be entrusted to me.

On the other hand I could
accept the post only on the
following conditions

1/ that I ~~am~~ ^{was to be} under no ^{other} control
than that of the Principal and
the Board of Professors in
accordance with the rules of
the Institution.

2/ that I ~~can~~ ^{could} obtain occasionally,
temporary leave of absence, if
important duties ^{should} call me away
from London (myself or ^{you} ~~you~~ ^{would}
finding a substitute, as ~~seem~~
best to ~~you~~ ^{you} I could not.

3/ that I shall have to give ~~no~~
less than ^{two} hours at the
time ^(consecutive) ~~and at~~ ^{not} ~~for the~~ ^{over} ~~the~~ ^{hours}
than a Prince ^{both together} ~~stated~~

The latter point, as I ~~foresaw~~ ^{travelling}
to ~~you~~ ^{already} ~~verbally~~ ⁱⁿ ~~personally~~ ^{personally}
and ~~principally~~ ^{chiefly} ~~from~~ ^{from} the great
distance ~~at which~~ ^{at which} I live
hence ~~originally~~ ^{originally} chiefly

and
which, ~~both~~ in undertaking regular
duties of this kind, entails
both ^{considerable} great loss of time and
expense.

Without further restricting you
I ~~with the best wishes to the~~
~~exhaust the subject~~
shame to repeat the hope

With best thanks for the
confidence shown to me

I remain

Very dear Sir
Yours truly

Wm. J. L. L. L.