Dec. 2, 1878

My dear Sir:

I shall sail for Europe and the East Dec. 16 to visit the Lands of the Bible, and shall not return before August.

I leave first part of Popular Commentary in Your & Dr Riddle's safe hands. Try to finish the first three Gospels before spring. They will probably be published in February as Part 2 of Vol. I. before John & Acts are done.

I wish to have two or three complete sets of clean proofs of Matthew to take along to Europe, also as much new proof as I can manage within two weeks.

I left the Mifflin Memorial with you at the Riverside Press.

Very respectfully
Yours
Philip Schaff

Mr. Houghton &c.

Dec. 15

My dear Dr Dykes:

Your kind letter of Nov. 28th overtook me in the midst of preparations for a journey to the lands of the Bible. I cannot trust themselves to the Staff for Liverpool and may even be taken with the letter. I hope to see you there if I have time enough in hospitate.

But I must not delay longer to plead for the high and undeserved compliment you pay me in proposing my name for the Professor's chair of the memorial performance of Presbyterian training in the Presbyterian College in Chicago. Nothing could be more flattering and inviting to a young and rising scholar in full sympathy as I am with Presbyterian principles.

But I am too far along with the duties of a change. For years I have been preparing to devote myself to a specialty in the Presbyterian Church. The largest Seminary of New York with my aid and counsel has of late years and 150 promising students. I have as large a field of usefulness as I can desire and am able to cultivate.

It would be therefore wrong for me to hold out any prospect of acceptance and to allow my name to go before the directors as a candidate for election. But I feel under great obligation to you for your kindness.

If I should not see you in London about new year, I certainly hope to see you at the Presbyterian Council in Edinburgh next July which I intend to visit as a delegate from our General Assembly. I shall stay in London at Dodd's Boarding House near the British Museum for a few days.

I have just finished my work on the Church of Christ, which will be published early next year in three vols. I shall be happy to furnish you with a copy through Messrs Longman.

Please present my kind regards to your friend Mr. Nelson, my excellent host during the late Pres. Presbyt. Council.

With great respects Yours

Philip Schaff

The Revd. Dr. Donald Fraser
London

Dec. 11 77

My dear Sir:

I just received Nagelsbach's Isaiah. It is a very large volume of 792 pages besides XXXV pp. of introduction.

As I wrote to you before, the American edition must be confined to one volume. The publishers will not consent to a division. Consequently it will be absolutely necessary for you and Dr. Moore to condense Nagelsbach in order to gain room for your additions and selections. The book will be much more used if it can be boiled down to 700 pages. Do the best you can.

The collection of ἅπαξ λεγόμενα, etc. on p. 769–792, can be sent to the printer from the German few work with a translation of the few German words. Cut the sheets out, interleave them and insert the corresponding English titles. This will save you much time and trouble & leave the printer without excuse if he makes blunders in the Hebrew words.

I have not yet seen any printed proofs of your version except a ~~the~~ few specimen pages. I hope you are progressing steadily. We are anxious to publish the volume as soon as possible and thus to bring to a close this laborious work of twenty years' united German & American ~~labor~~ study.

I inclose a list of contributors with the request to insert in Col. the full name & title of Dr. Moore to whom please present my very best regards.

Faithfully Yours,

Philip Schaff

Rev. Prof. Lorrie, D.D.
Allegheny, Pa.

My dear Sir: Dec. 15, 77

Since you wrote to me last, I have given the 'Union Bible Dictionary' a more careful examination and begun to supplement the letter from all other Bible Dictionaries (Winer, Schenkel, Riehm, Smith-Abbot, Kitto-Alexander, McClintock-Strong, etc.).

The result of this preparatory work is that I would prefer to make a thorough revision of the 'Union Dictionary', than a new one. It would be easier for me and cheaper for the Society. More than one half of the matter is as good now as it ever was, & may be retained with slight modifications, omissions & additions. The other articles must be re-written, and a good many new titles introduced. It would be well if you could allow about 100 pages more to make the work complete & to bring it up to the latest standard of biblical scholarship. The spirit of the Union Dict. is excellent and could not be improved. Who was the author? Was it not the late Dr James Alexander? I corresponded with him to the year of his death & esteemed him among my best friends.

If you agree to this plan please send me two interleaved copies of the Union Dict. in sheets (but stitched in sections), & I will go to work at once. I have now an excellent scholar in view who can assist me, but he may be otherwise employed in a few weeks. Let me know therefore at your earliest convenience.

About the Bibl. Antiquities I will inform you afterwards. 'One thing at a time', said honest Old Abe.

Yours truly

Philip Schaff

Mr. S. Austin Allibone, L.L.D. etc.

Dec. 20, 7

Mr. S. Austin Allibone, LL.D.
Secretary of the American Sunday School Union.

My dear Sir:

Your letter of Dec. 19 has just come to hand. I agree to revise and improve the Union Bible Dictionary on the basis proposed by me in my letter of Dec. 15 and accepted by you. I shall go to work at once, and, God sparing my health & strength, hope to finish it on or before Jan. 1, 1880. For the illustrations you will of course employ a special artist.

The remuneration which your Society offers is very small for a work of 600 or 700 pages which will have an enormous sale and will be a source of large profit to the Society. I expect to spend nearly, if not the whole amount for competent literary assistance and clerical labor. But I will undertake the work from higher motives, remembering the saying of Ignatius, "I can not afford time to make money", and adding, I can afford time to make myself useful.

I would now ask you to forward me as early as convenient two interleaved copies of the Union B. D. in sheets, and such other works of your Society as you wish me to make use of. I have all the large Biblical Cyclopaedias.

With great respect

Yours

Philip Schaff

January 5 70

Messrs. Th. Rivier,
L' Lagier
L. Vullemin } Lausanne, Switzerland

Gentlemen:

I have received your appeal in behalf of Mr. Herminjard as editor of the Correspondance des Réformateurs, together with a letter from my friend, Prof. Godet of Neuchatel on the same subject.

Inclosed I send you a contribution of one hundred francs.

I hoped to send much more for so worthy an object, but I failed in my efforts. A general appeal in the religious papers for an object purely literary and so remote amounts to nothing. Personal application alone can accomplish any thing, and in this, too, I have been disappointed. The richest and most liberal Presbyterian donor whom I know and who never before refused to respond favorably to my calls, declined to contribute, and I inclose his letter that you may understand the reasons. The continued prostration of business and the shrinkage of values makes it extremely difficult now in America to raise money for benevolent objects, especially those far away from home. After this failure, it would be useless to try any further, and I will rather give what I can myself than trouble others.

With great respect

Yours truly

Philip Schaff

Jan. 12 78

My dear Sir:

I have just received and examined your two excellent articles on the Lake of Galilee & Jerusalem, and I have satisfied myself that you are the gentleman to prepare the Geographical Articles for the new Bible Dictionary. It is precisely in the line of your present studies. It will cost you less labor and time than it would cost me or any body else. All you have to do is to adjust the substance of your Geography of Palestine to the size and aim of the Bible Dictionary. The same photographs & typographical maps & plans (which are of the greatest importance) will answer for both works & greatly diminish the labor & cost to your Society. But the articles must be reproduced & adapted.

I am therefore ready — with the consent of Mr Ellis & the Board of Directors — to enter into an arrangement with you at once that you assume the whole geographical & topographical department of the New Bible Dictionary at the same pro rata compensation offered me by the Society. I would cheerfully offer you more, but I cannot be expected to sacrifice money, in addition to time & strength, for this purpose. I hope you will be able soon to arrange the matter and to furnish me at an early day a complete list of articles you are to prepare together with an estimate of cost. I expect you to go to work at once.

Your chronological table of Judah & Israel would be quite serviceable in the Bible Dict. sub loc., and if you give me permission I shall insert it under your name.

Present my regards to Dr. Ellis & believe me

Yours truly

Geo. Edwin W. Rice, Philadelphia

Philip Schaff

Jan. 16

My dear Dr. Hartranft:

I congratulate you on your election to professorship of Church History in Hartford Theol. Seminary. I fill it myself as a supply. You are predestinated for an academic position and you will fill it with great credit and for the good of the Church. Ecclesiastical History is an immense field in which much is to be done. American learning has scarcely touched it.

But what effect will your removal to Hartford have upon Mercersburg? The publisher, the printer, and the translator of Deuteronomy (Dr Gossman) are most anxious to see that volume completed ~~at~~ and the pecuniary & literary capital locked up in it made available. It will cost you much less time & labor to finish it right off while you are in full train than to postpone it till after the removal. Please let me hear from you.

Yours very truly Philip Schaff

Jan. 18 8

Verehrter Herr Rust!

Vor einigen Monaten sandte ich Ihnen ein Exemplar meiner 3bändigen Bibliotheca Symbolica zugesandt. Ebenso auch Recensionsexemplare an Prof. Schaff, Dr. Gregori, Dr. Domer, Dr. Herzog, etc., die das Werk anzuzeigen versprochen haben. Leider erfahre ich Anfangs von Deutschland aus das Werk zu haben bei, das gewöhnlich doch finden und das Werk so kann nur freilich durch jeden Buchhändler von der Harpers & Brothers, New York, oder Hodder & Stoughton in London (Paternoster Row No 27) bezogen werden. Aber das ist für deutsche Käufer umständlich & kostspielig.

Wollen Sie nicht etwa ein Rundschreiben auf Lager halten u. auf dem Umschlag der Herzogschen Encyklopädie anzeigen, wenn ich Ihnen dasselbe zur Hälfte des Ladenpreises verschaffe, d. h. Sie Lust zu die Sache

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Wann gedenken Sie fertig zu werden? 6 Wochen
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January 18 78

My dear Mr. Alcott:

I received your letter of Jan. 11, together with a list of articles on natural history which you are willing to prepare for the Bible Dictionary, and which you think will cover about 36 pages.

I will now make a positive engagement to pay you at the rate of fifty cents per page, the estimate to be made on the number of printed pages of the old edition referring to the natural history department & the other articles included in your list, for revising, reconstructing & if necessary rewriting said articles till the first of Sept. or Oct. next, payment to be made as soon as the new edition shall be issued from the press, or as soon as I receive payment from the American Sunday School Union.

I hope you will now go to work at once & keep at it till you are done. Use the best books, and make the articles as clear, ~~popular~~ instructive & interesting as you can, though you may overrun the estimate ten or twenty pages.

I shall give the geographical department to the Rev. Mr. Rice who is now engaged in preparing a ~~Natural~~ Geography of the Bible for the S. S. Union.

Very truly
Yours
Philip Schaff

I will send you another copy of the Bible dict.

Rev. Edwin W. Rice, Philadelphia. January 19, 78

My dear Sir:

I am glad to learn from your letter of Jan. 16th that you are willing to prepare the Geographical & Topographical articles for the Bible Dictionary of the American Sunday School Union.

I expect you to make full use of the best and latest authorities, to study clearness, precision, brevity and condensation, and yet to aim at completeness as far as the popular aim of the work and its limits allow. Some articles may remain, others must be supplemented, others abridged, and most of them naturalized and brought up (not down) to the present state of biblical scholarship and geographical discovery. A good many new articles must be inserted, but the book ought to be kept within 800 pages of the present size or 700 pp. octavo (the size of the Tract Society's Bible Dict.), including illustrations. Of the apocryphal titles I would select only the most important. You may take about 30 more pages for your department.

Please furnish me with a complete list of titles, and an estimate of compensation — within the limits of my allowance by the Society, i.e. $100 for the whole —, and I shall pay you when your work is finished by an order on the Society. I expect you to read the proof of your own articles very carefully.

I have this day engaged a competent scholar to assist me in this work, and I expect to begin in earnest as soon as I get your list. I would like to begin finishing in September next.

Very truly yours Philip Schaff

January 23

Messrs. Scribner, Armstrong & Company.

Gentlemen: After patiently waiting for three months, I must be excused for asking you to give me a definite answer within a few days, whether you will publish the Theological Encyclopædia on the terms proposed, or not.

I have already spent too much labor and money on the enterprize to recede from it, and I have two assistants steadily at work whom I cannot dismiss. I have weighed the matter long and carefully in my mind, and I am feel in duty bound to go on without delay or interruption.

I do not wish to urge you. If you have not full faith in the success of the work and are not prepared to push it with all your energy, you better decline. Only let me know soon.

Time is flowing away rapidly, and what I am to do, I must do quickly.

Yours truly Philip Schaff

Febr. 4

Rev. Edwin W. Rice, Philadelphia

My dear Sir:

Your letter and list of geogr. & topogr. titles for the New-Bible Dict. Dictionary were received.

I have now begun in earnest with the help of a competent scholarly assistant whom I have employed and who is now at work in my study. I wish to have go to press next Sept. and to finish the book next spring if possible. I shall employ a few more assistants as I progress.

I have no objection to the size of Smith's Abridged Bible Dict., but the type of Johnson's Cyclop. is far too small for elderly people. I hope you will select a larger type.

I have now to say with special reference to your part of the work:

1. Your list must cover the whole department of Biblical Geography & Topography, including those mentioned in Mr. Hoyt's list, 'Arabia', etc. I already wrote to him to be let off and to confine himself to the department of Natural History.

2. I expect you to rewrite most of the articles in the old Dict., which are mostly so old that they are in a large extent useless or even misleading. You will of course make free use of your book now in course of preparation, but not by the scissors. Every article must be refurbished and adapted to the 3rd of the Dictionary.

3. You must furnish me with a complete & exact list of your authorities which are most frequently referred to. I intend to print such a list in an appendix.

3. I allow you fully one fourth of the entire Dict. and more, if necessary, and one fourth of any pay, i.e. two hundred and fifty dollars. I only wish I could offer you more. I hope you will be able to submit to me a portion of your work soon.

4. I reserve the right of final revision.

Truly Yours Philip Schaff

Confidential.

Febr. 5, 70

My dear Dr Strong:

I have resolved – with the consent of Dr Herzog & his publisher, and at the request of Mr. Clark of Edinburgh as publisher for England – to be the editor of an Anglo-American reconstruction & adaptation of the new edition of Herzog's Universal Theol. Encyclopædia now in course of publication. It will contain a condensed translation of the German articles and a great many new ones each accompanied by the name of the author or translator. Much preparation has already been made, and I am now about to conclude an arrangement with an American publisher.

I learn that you contemplate soon to revise your Cyclopædia for a new issue. It occurs to me that it may be possible to effect a combination of the two works so similar in contents and aim, and to make success in America and England doubly certain.

Will you kindly give me your views on the subject as soon as possible, and, if you think favorably of it, outlate the preliminary basis of negotiation & consolidation.

Very truly Yours

Philip Schaff

Feb. 8 8

My dear Mr. Schaff. I
please find a courteous and well considered
reply of Dr. Strong to the letter I addres-
sed to them in compliance with your kind
suggestion.

He leaves little hope for cooperation
before the completion of his own Cyclop.
not only, but the new Herzog also, and that
may put off the completion of the contem-
ted work off to the day of resurrection
when Cyclopaedias will be needed no
longer. My machinery is already well
manned and in full motion.

But before I write again or make
any conclusive engagement, I would like to
have the benefit of your counsel.

Very truly Yours
Philip Schaff

congenial & permanent Book wants.

Secondly I do not like in the present position of affairs, to be the only one of the Union Theological Seminary to appear as it were in a semi-representative character in the pages of the New Review.

And so I told Mr. L. last evening and repeat it here that if he can induce Dr. Adams to prepare an article, I will write one too, even for the next No if necessary, although the time is too short to do it with comfort. In the mean time I will aid him indirectly by suggesting names and topics of interest.

I hope that this will be satisfactory.

At all events you may be assured that I fully appreciate the kind motives which dictated your letter, and that I sincerely wish the Princeton Review long life, health and prosperity in promoting the cause of sound Christian learning & literature throughout the world.

Very truly Yours

Philip Schaff

Febr. 8, 8

My dear Dr. Green:

I received your kind letter of Febr. 5, and will reply to it very frankly.

1. I accept cordially and cheerfully the assurance of entire purity of motive and intention, on the part of the new proprietor of the "Review," to raise its character in the interest of both parties formerly represented. In fact I never entertained a suspicion that he had any other object in view.

2. At the same time I believed then, as I believe now, that in the transition to the new regime certain infelicities occurred which might easily have been prevented by a little consultation with such men as Drs. Adams & Hodge as representing the two theological interests in the united Review. The letter of Dr Hodge to Dr Adams on the subject

which was also submitted to Mr. Libbey, expresses my views on the subject better than I could do myself. I can subscribe every word of it. The appearance of the Review under the name of "Princeton Review" (and also my explanation) only must have made upon every reader acquainted with the antecedents of both Reviews the impression that under the new management the interest represented by the late Dr. Smith, the "Presbyterian Quarterly" and the New School was to be completely ignored as if no reunion of Reviews and Schools & Churches had taken place. This I and other members of the Faculty of Union Seminary frankly told Young Mr. L. before the actual appearance of the Review, and on that ground alone; but from no want of proper respect and love for Princeton, we declined (and also my principal reason for this I have amply hinted, perhaps fully, too, declined) to contribute. Had Mr. L. either retained the old title, or chosen in its place a catholic or national name, he would have avoided this inevitable apprehension and rallied all the old subscribers and friends around his banner for redoubled exertion.

3. Dr. Adams has in the matter from the start acted as a wise and kindly mediator, and his only object in suggesting or approving of a suggested explanation is the next number of the new Princeton Rev. is to remove the misapprehension spoken of and thus to relieve the Review itself from injurious embarrassment in its proposed course of usefulness. Some explanation of the mystery is certainly due to the public and especially to the old subscribers of the Presbyterian Quarterly which has been hunted out of sight without a notice of its death & funeral.

4. As to your ~~[illegible]~~ kind invitation to contribute — which Young Mr. Libbey urged upon me last evening in a pleasant personal interview — I am certainly bound to take it in serious consideration and to comply with it when and as far as I conscientiously can do, both in regard to yourself & to Mr. Libbey. But I beg you to consider this as a justifiable reason at least for delay.

First I have no special talent or taste for Review periodical articles and prefer to devote my time & strength to less profitable but more

Febr. 11 8

Messrs Scribner, Armstrong & Co.

Gentlemen:

Permit me to ask you again for my documents relating to Theol. Encyclopædia and for Mr. Clark's letter to me which requires immediate attention.

I cannot recede from my position except in regard to the number of volumes. I promise to be as brief and condensed as is consistent with completeness. My terms are very reasonable and even almost too low for the high order of literary work we wish to secure.

Before I write to Mr. Clark, I wish to know concerning Popular Commentary,

1. whether you have made a positive arrangement with old Dr. Thomson for illustrations, and how long it will take to finish them all,

2. whether you have forwarded to Mr. C. the illustrations on John or when you expect to send him those on the Arts.

Very truly

Yours

Philip Schaff

Febr. 13th 8

My dear Friend,

Your letter of Janr. 26th in reply to mine of Nov. 22d has been received, and I lose no time in giving you my opinion concerning the two objections you make to the terms of the proposed Theological Encyclopaedia.

1. As to the number of volumes, I will very gladly reduce them to six if it can be done without mutilating Herzog or omitting any article of interest and importance to the English and American reader. I cannot and will not promise impossibilities. all I can say is that I shall aim at the utmost brevity and condensation consistent with completeness.

2. As to compensation per page, I made the terms rather too low than too high. You must remember that I do not want a translation simply but a condensation and adaptation of the articles from Herzog by competent scholars who would mostly prefer to write original articles, and who can get double or triple the compensation for literary work than I propose to offer them. A recent American Cyclopaedia with which I had to do paid $10 per page and a good deal more for special articles. You should consider also that one

half or two thirds of the translation work will be done by my assistant editors who will be paid by a regular salary. In this way the cost may be considerably reduced. If you can get scholars of high standing and reputation to translate a number of articles at four shillings a page and will specify those articles, I shall have no objection.

I have undertaken this great enterprise after long and serious consideration. I would not have touched it without the consent of Dr. Herzog and his publisher, and without your encouragement. You told me in July last that you would undertake it alone if necessary or share it at all events with an American publisher. Messrs. Scribner, Armstrong & Co are so far committed to the enterprise as to require only your final consent. I have made all the necessary preparation for my part of the work and am now paying week after week out of my pocket for very competent and congenial assistants. I cannot go back, and shall look out for another publisher if I am disappointed or kept waiting much longer. Time is flowing rapidly, and what I am to do yet in this world, I must do quickly. I expect to hear from you by return mail or by telegraph.

As regards the Popular Commentary, I am informed by Messrs. Scribner, Armstrong & Co. the illustrations for John will be sent to you this week. Luke will be finished in a few weeks. Consequently the completion of the first volume containing the Gospels depends altogether upon Drs. Milligan & Moulton. I have no doubt that you will do all you can to urge them on. As soon as they send in their MS. to the printer, all authors connected with vol. 2d of the New Testament must be informed & requested to finish their task within a few months. I shall not consent to go on with the work unless it can be vigorously pushed all around. I have already lost too much time and patience by delay.

If you can get Dr. Dykes to assume Deuteronomy or Kings, you may transfer Titus to Dr. Reynolds; or you may secure him for the Old Testament if you are anxious to do so. He is certainly one of the leading scholars among the Independents.

I am glad that your son is in Leipzig with the publisher of Herzogs Encyclopaedia and of the German edition of my Church History. It will be of invaluable benefit to him as your partner and successor.

My wife and daughter are well and join me in kind regards to you and your family.

Hoping to hear from you soon,

I am,

Very truly Yours,

Philip Pilhaff

Mr Thomas Clark
Edinburgh

My wife and daughter are well and join me in kind regards to you and your family.

Hoping to hear from you soon,

Febr. 16 8

My dear Dr. Murphy:

I am very glad to hear from you this morning.

The Popular Com. — owing to illustrations & the hard times — is making very slow progress, but we hope that vol. first containing the Gospels will be published before the end of this year. Then I shall send notice to all contributors to finish their portion as soon as possible, and shall request the publishers to have the MS. set up as fast as it comes in.

Indeed I would be glad if Mr. Clark would set up your Chronicles at once & keep it till the other parts of the history vol. are ready, but I could not well ask him to do so before the first vol is done & the foundation laid. We are nearly through the

first three Gospels here, but John which is the set up in England or Scotland has not yet been sent in by Profs Milligan & Moulton who have it in charge.

My patience has been sorely tried by these delays. But "all is well that ends well".

I wish you would give this information to Mr. Porter who has assumed Exodus, Leviticus & Deuteronomy Numbers. Present him my kind regards.

I hope you have received the last statement of Scribner, Armstrong & Comp. about the sale of Chronicles. They are to pay you semi-annually your share of copy money.

Very truly
Yours
Philip Schaff

Febr. 16 8

My dear Mr. Harper:

Although Dr. Strong's letter seems to exclude the possibility of cooperation – at all events before the completion of the new Herzog, i.e. for the next ten years (the first edition was 14 years in appearing from 1856 to 1868 in 22 vols.) – it seems to me so very desirable to avoid even the appearance of antagonism between friends, that I am willing to meet you and Dr. Strong in my house or wherever and whenever convenient for a full conference and exchange of views on the subject, before I commit myself to any publisher in this country.

I have just written to Dr. Strong to this effect and hope to see him next week.

Very truly Yours Philip Schaff

Febr. 16, 8

My dear Dr. Strong:

I thank you for your well considered letter of Febr. 7th. You leave indeed very little hope for cooperation, for if I am to wait till the new Herzog is completed, I may as well give up the enterprize at once, unless you can insure me twenty years of life and health. But it is so desirable to avoid even the appearance of antagonism between Christian friends and brethren that I am willing to meet you & Mr. Harper for a lengthy conference in my house or anywhere and at any evening you may suggest as convenient.

Yours very truly

Philip Schaff

February 20th 8

S. Austin Allibone, LL.D.

Dear Sir;

Dr Schaff has requested me as his assistant in the revision of the Union Bible Dictionary to acknowledge the receipt of your notes of yesterday. In reply he states 1. He is pleased with the size of the specimen page, but would like a little larger type. However these are matters for the publisher to decide. 2. He had rather you would omit all attempts at illustration or map drawing unless you are prepared to do it in good style. The present woodcuts are rather rude. The Dictionary of the Board Society may in this respects be a model. 3. The work of revision is fully started; the letter A, as far as work here is concerned, is finished, and the work of printing may therefore soon be begun. In all events Dr Schaff regards it as desirable that the attractive work should be given out to the world now and carry through out.

* The brackets enclosing the texts quoted are to be omitted – the paragraphs are likewise in most cases to be removed, thus saving much space and generally speaking each article is to form a single block of text.

5. Half of the revision, we hope, will be finished before or on May 1st next. We hope to end our labor, ~~preparatory~~ accepting the final proof reading by September 1st – Dr Schaff sends kind regards.

Very truly yours.

Jam. M. Jackson.

To

S. Austin Allibone, LL.D.

No. 1122 Chestnut st.

Philadelphia. Pa

Feb. 25, 70

Messrs. Scribner, Armstrong & Comp.

Gentlemen:

Having long waited in vain for an answer to my urging letter of Jan. 23, and to Mr. Clark's ultimatum of Jan. 26, which you returned Feb. 11th without a remark, I am constrained to infer that you are not inclined to go into the Theol. Encyclopaedia and would rather have me look out for another publisher, as in the case of my 'History of Creeds of Christendom.'

I shall not allow this delay and disappointment to interfere with our pleasant personal and business relations.

Very respectfully Yours

Philip Schaff

March 1 8

Confidential

Messrs. Houghton, Osgood & Co., Boston.

Gentlemen:

I thank you for your frank letter of this morning.

I am free, by an amicable understanding with my old friends & publishers, either to wait for their final decision or to look about for another publisher. Being sure of one in England, I have no doubt of securing one in due time in America who will divide the expense and make success doubly certain. But I fully appreciate your reasons for declining at present to entertain any proposal. We are thus mutually free, and I do not regret in the least our preliminary discussion and appreciate your courtesy & consideration.

Yours truly Philip Schaff

My dear Dr. Strong; March 12th 8

I have conferred with Mr. Harper who will write to you to-day.

I proposed to sell out to you the MSS. of my Theol. Encyclopaedia as far as finished together with my plan and prospective profits for the sum of $2500. This is the price fixed as a very reasonable one by a disinterested friend. In this case I entirely withdraw from the field of editor or co-editor of a Theol. Encyclopaedia, but I can of course not prevent Mr. Clark from carrying out his design of publishing an English version of Herzog's great work. I just received a letter from him in which he accedes to my terms in every particular and desires me to proceed without delay. I must of course give him a definite answer with a good reason for a change.

I will now give you the details.

I have done to date and shall deliver to you in MS.

(a) All articles translated and original for a complete Theol. Encyclopaedia from Aβ Ω to Abraham (pp. 97 of Herzog, Vol I with more than double the number of original articles).

(b) The non-biblical articles of Herzog from Abraham to Afra (Herzog to p. 206).

(c) Several other articles by anticipation, viz. Agapetus, Agatha, Agatho, Agaune, Agde, Agellius, N

Agnus, Agnoëtae, Agobard, Agreda, Aix de Chapelle, Alfred the Great, Ansgar (Herzog p. 445), Augustine, Transfiguration.

(d) A complete tabular list of articles from standard Encyclop. works for the letters A. B. & C., with measurements and estimates of length etc.

(e) A full list of contributors to Herzog's new Encyclop. & a list of 115 eminent American & English contributors.

I have paid in cash for editorial labor since Nov. last over $600. My additional outlay for clerical aid, travelling expenses to Erlangen & Leipzig (to confer with Dr. Herzog and his publisher), for books, printing & incidentals bring my actual expenses up to about $1000. The remaining $1500 are a moderate compensation for my labor and time and the surrender of plans and prospective profits from a work involving from 6 to 10 vols. and from 6 to 10 years labor.

If you do not accept this proposal, please let me know your ultimatum at once and I will answer without delay.

Every day adds to my expense, and makes the sale more difficult. Besides, as I said, I must say Yes or No to Mr. Clark by next steamer if possible.

With great respect

Yours truly,

Philip Schaff

March 12 8

My dear Mr. Harper:

Inclosed I send you a confidential copy of a letter I just mailed to Dr. Strong with a definite proposition communicated by you this morning. If he accepts it, it does of course not exclude any arrangement for cooperation which might be made afterwards on a specific basis.

If he rejects my proposition, I will consider and answer at once any sub proposition clear & definite, which he may offer as a substitute.

If he & we cannot agree, I feel in honor bound to let Clark go on with my work, especially after receiving a letter from him this morning in which he fully accedes to my plan with all its details.

Truly yours Charles Sheaff

March 18 '78

My dear Mr Clark:

I have three important letters of yours to answer which arrived in rapid succession. I will do it at once. One is written in your hieroglyphics.

1. As to Nehemiah in Lange, I did the best I could. The German was behind, and it was of great importance to save time. Dr Crosby is one of our allies, and had made a strong impression on the Council at Edinburgh. I could not throw out his work from the Amer. edition without great injustice to him. But I give you full liberty to substitute for your English edition, or to add publish as a separate appendix, a translation of Schultz on Nehemiah, and also of Lange on Haggai, Zechariah and Malachi (which are likewise original in the Amer. ed. and appeared long before the German). I shall make no claim whatever, and you are not bound to buy these parts from Scribner any more than any other volume or parts of a volume.

2. As to Popular Commentary, I did send proofs of specimen on Matthew (which is enough for all practical purposes) to Drs. McCosh & Moulton in May, 1876 & June from proper office. If they lost it, it is not my fault. But I will advise Mr. Scribner to send them duplicate if there are any left, and also proofs of all the synoptists (although this is quite expensive) when they are completed. I am now nearly through with Luke. The first 3 Gospels (with Introd.) will make about 500 pages. I did allow from 200 to 250 for John (including illustrations which are not so numerous in John & which I understand were sent to you several weeks ago). You must of course send me the first proofs of John that I may see to conformity.

I left a complete list of contributors with you long ago. It has not been altered since, & I do not mean to engage new hands until the first vol. is published. But I will mention here the books not yet positively given out, Deuteronomy, Kings, Ezra, Nehemiah &

Esther, and a few of the Minor Prophets. I shall be glad to hear any suggestions.

I return Dr Milligan's Memorandum with answers which please send to him. I hope you will now proceed vigorously with John so that you can publish the vol. on the Gospels next autumn. I think you will be pleased with the work, illustrations & all. It ought to succeed.

3. As to the Theol. Encyclopædia, I am sorry to say that Messrs. Scribner, Armstrong & Co., after leaving me under the impression that they would certainly go on if you would agree to the minor details of my prospectus, and actually encouraging me to proceed with my preparations, now, on being brought to a positive answer in view of your letter of Feb. 25, inform me under date of March 16, that, in view of "the unsettled state of their business affairs," they must "with the greatest reluctance and the sincerest regret", decline at present to embark in this enterprise.

This makes it necessary for me to suspend work and to dismiss my editorial assistants. I had already worked up 235 pp. of Herzog with a good deal of original matter, and a complete list of titles for Catty & Bibl. All this labor & time together with a good deal of money I spent on my assistants, books & other expenses is wasted. I hope, however, that Messrs. Scribner & Co. will feel in honor bound to reimburse me in part for actual expenses. I am very sorry for the result, for I have no time & strength to waste. I hope you will not blame me, for I made it a condition that I could serve an Am. republisher. It would be simply impossible to edit such a work here if it was to be printed on the other side of the ocean. I might find another publisher; but the book business is almost dead now, and I do not like to run the risk of another refusal. I shall now throw my force into the completion of my Church Hist. & the Popular Commentary. If times improve the Herzog scheme may be revived.

Very truly Yours

Philip Schaff

My kindest regards to your family.

Mar 19, 8

My dear Friend:

I am happy to learn from Mr. Clark that you are ready to go on with John. I answered your and his questions to day. I now write to you more particularly.

1. I did send you a specimen of Matthew in June 1875, through Mr. Clark, but I just mailed you another copy. It requires some corrections in plates, but answers all your purpose.

2. A complete set of plate proofs of the Synoptical Gospels will be forwarded to you when completed.

3. The illustrations for John were sent to Mr. Clark Feb 21 and must have arrived.

4. The Synoptical Gospels will be set up in a few weeks (I read proof of Luke XIX) and make 500 pages in all.

5. I allow you 250 pages for John so that the vol. on the Gospels will cover 750 pp.

6. You need not study close conformity with the Synopt. Gospels and therefore some margin for liberty.

7. Introduction should be set up first or space left for a number of pages to avoid the unnecessary expense of altering the folios in plates.

8. I shall not presume to control your work beyond the limits agreed in the Prospectus, but I ought to see a few pages of proof to insure outward uniformity in the treatment, use of type, etc.

9. I shall embody in my Preface all you wish me to say as to your part.

10. Try to beat Lange, the Speaker's, Ellicott's and all other

commentaries in a noble race of doing good.

The illustrations have delained and vexed me beyond measure. But I think you will be be quite satisfied with them.

All right! Go ahead!

Truly Yours

Philip Schaff

Rev. Dr. Milligan,
Aberdeen

April 6

My dear Dr. Strong:

Your favor of yesterday has just come to hand, and I will answer at once; for the sooner this matter is settled the better. My assistants are already at work on Letter S.

If the time of beginning the new Cyclop. is to be indefinitely left open "to be hereafter determined by all three parties according to the exigencies that may arise", it amounts to a surrender of the enterprise, and I must clearly keep my hands off. I have all along negotiated on the understanding that the preparation of the new Cycl. was to go on as soon as the old was finished, and I can only submit to a reasonable delay of the publication, say two years, when two volumes may be pubd. simultaneously. You of course is Mr. Harper

will have a good reason for retaining the dollar, being interested in 10 vols., while I have an interest only in 2.

Please look at my side of the question. I am expected to help you to finish your work in 2 years at a position expense of $4800 for two edit. assistants (at $1200 per annum for each), not to speak of extra expenses for special contributions from outsiders. According to your & Mr. Harper's statement of the present sales (which are not likely to increase), I may expect $3000 in the way of profit money for these two volumes. That is to say I am to devote all my time and labor gratis and $1800 (or more) in addition, for aiding you in finishing your work.

Now with my very best feelings towards you & Messrs. Harper, I am not so disinterested as to consent to such an arrangement without a reasonable prospect of reimbursement from the new Cyclopædia, and that at as early a date as possible.

I did not expect to risk a dollar in this new enterprize, and it is only from the desire to avoid any collision with you & Mr. Harper that I have entertained your proposition. If you & the Harpers will pay all my actual expenses, or assume such a sale as will amount to the same thing, the case would be considerably altered, and made much more easy for me.

Very truly yours

Philip Schaff.

You may show this letter to Mr. Fox & Mr. Harper and let me know your joint decision. I have gone to Mr. H.'s house so often in this matter that I am actually ashamed to appear there again until I have from you.

April 8 8

My dear Dr. Mitchell,

I was very glad to hear from you. I understand the duty of the Committee on Creeds, &c. to be purely and exclusively historical. We are expressly debarred by the action of the Council from "any comparative estimate of these creeds & regulations, or any critical remarks upon their respective value, expediency, or efficiency." I shall therefore do nothing more than print the documents forwarded to me without omission or addition.

At the meeting of the Committee held in Edinburgh July 9, 1877, it was resolved that you should be the Convener for Scotland, and Dr. Lorimer the General Convener for the British Churches. I expect therefore to receive all the British material properly arranged and digested from Dr. Lorimer.

In any case it would issue greater accuracy if you could send me your report in proof. A pamphlet containing so much historical

information would have an independent value for English & Scotch readers. I shall then have all the reports compared & uniform edition and submit them to the Council in 1880 for criticism.

I have been appointed Chairman of the Committee on the Programme for the next meeting of the Council. This is a great honour, but I will do what I can. We shall hold the next meeting in

I hope we shall have the pleasure of seeing you with us on that occasion as a representative of the good old Church of Scotland.

With great respect.

Yours truly

Philip Schaff

Rev Dr Mitchell, St. Andrews, Scotland

April 8

Rev. Dear Sir

I received your favor of April 2nd giving me the list of the members of the Committee on the Programme for the Pan-Presbyterian Council of 1880.

With my experience of the work, I will work respectfully connected with the Programme Committee of the General Conference of the Evang. Alliance in 1873, I ought in justice to my health and comfort respectfully decline the honor of the chairmanship, but brave time I will at least set the ball in motion.

I have therefore conferred with Dr Matheson who I hope will be for obvious reasons the Secretary, and requested him in my name to call a preparatory meeting two weeks from today in my study in the Bible House. Next autumn we can go forward in earnest.

Truly Yours,

Philip Schaff

Rev Dr Mitchell, Edinburgh.

April 11 8

My dear Dr. Strong:

I send you this morning by mail the promised article on Dr Robinson for your next volume.

After a careful consideration of your letter & proposal I have reluctantly come to the conclusion that I must respectfully decline it in its present shape. For a postponement of the publication of the New Cyclopaedia for seven years amounts at my time of life to an abandonment of the whole enterprize. Besides it would require from me, in addition to the investment of time & labor, a great amount of pecuniary outlay and risk which I never contemplated & never assumed in any of my books.

It is quite natural that you & Mr. Harper should feel slightly sentimental in the old Cyclopaedia, and it is just as natural that I should feel most interested in the new. It is so happens that the longer the new one is postponed the better for the old, & vice versa.

I am very sorry at the failure of our negotiations, but not at the negotiations themselves, nor at the extent to which I was willing to meet you far beyond my original calculations and against my wishes.

I shall write to Messrs. Harpers to-day.

With great respect,

Yours truly

Philip Schaff

Rev Dr. Strong.

New York, April 11, 1876.

Messrs. Harper & Brothers.

Gentlemen, After a careful consideration of the article of agreement relating to the New Theol. Cyclopaedia which you kindly submitted to me on the 8th of this month, I have reluctantly come to the conclusion that I must respectfully decline it for two reasons,

1. That the proposed postponement of the publication of the new Cyclopaedia for seven years amounts practically to an abandonment of the enterprize;

2. That the prosecution of it would involve me in heavy pecuniary sacrifices and risks, in addition to the investment of time, labor and responsibility.

It is quite natural that you and Dr. Strong should, in the interest of the old Cyclopaedia, desire a postponement of the new as far as possible. But it is just as natural that I should look upon the matter from my own point of view. Contrary to my wishes and interest, I was willing heartily to cooperate in the completion of the old, but only as a stepping stone towards the more vigorous & successful prosecution of the new work.

I regret the failure of these negotiations, but not the negotiations themselves nor any of my advances towards bringing about a harmonious cooperation.

With great respect I am as always

Yours truly Philip Schaff

Perhaps 4 or 5 vols would be sufficient for a mere Church dictionary.

Messrs Kampe urge me to unite with their enterprize which is a complete theol. Encyclopaedia under the management of Dr Strong, now 7 vols., to be completed in 10. But this is a mere compilation from Smith, Kitto, Herzog, etc., and does not suit me at all. See, however, the enclosed agreement which I send.

I would of course like best our original plan of giving the whole Herzog condensed with additions. Next best a Church diction. Last a combination.

Please let me know positively what you will do, how much money you are willing to advance per annum for editorial expenses as detailed above. All the rest I leave to the publishers. I must know as soon as possible.

It would be a pity to let the enterprize fall through. I have nearly half a volume ready for the press. It will certainly succeed if well managed. Dr. Herzog wrote to me that you had made satisfactory arrangements with him, and urges me to go on. Will you print it in [illegible] if I fail to get an Am. republication! [illegible] greetings from me & my family to you & your family [illegible]

April 19 8

My dear Friend:

Yesterday I read the proof of last page in Luke, p. 508, just about what I calculated. You may begin then on folio on p. 511 (leaving a leaf for subtitles). If Drs. McClintock & Moulton confine themselves to 250 pages, the volume will be of about the right size. It ought not to run over 800 pages at all events. I see Elliott's Com. on the Gospels has only 563 pages, but of quarto size. This is very respectable, but ours will be equally so, and the illustrations will give it a great advantage for popular circulation.

My work on vol. I. now is done, and the completion rests with you & the English contributors. I hope you will get through the summer.

I suppose the whole manuscript will be completed during the middle of October. [illegible]

so that the book already too long determined can be published early in fall.

I regret Scribner & Co. have not yet matured the business the letter of Hours & Spence about illustrations in Arch. Every thing is at a stand still in that highly respectable establishment owing to a disagreement in making up a new firm. The expectation seems to be (inter nos) that young Scribner & Armstrong may separate. The matter I hope will be settled shortly. It has kept things in an uncertainty for several months.

This difficulty is no doubt the chief reason for the failure of Herzog. I have, however, kept my two editorial assistants who are admirably qualified for this kind of work & deeply interested in it. I approached Houghton & Osgood, a very respectable firm of Boston. But as they have published Smith's Bible dictionary (with some Amer. improvements or additions at least), they do not want to publish a work which would interfere with theirs, unless it be a Church Dictionary,

including their all the Non-Biblical part of articles of Herzog. I send you their reply. Please examine & answer at once.

My calculation of cost to them was this 1. Salary $2500 per annum salary and incidental expenses. My two assistants agree to throw their whole time & strength into the work at the very moderate salary of $100 per month each. This would make $2400 per annum. The $100 additional would pay for books, postage & incidentals. I furnish a room free of rent.

2. About $500 additional for each volume for extra contributions of distinguished scholars (at $5 a page) & give the work an ecumenical character and reputation. The more you expect on that the better for the work.

3. I claim myself $5 a page for my special contributions, & a moderate percentage on sales depending on numbers, or if you prefer, a fixed compensation.

4. I calculate to have nearly all the translations done in the office by my assistants, and to prepare a volume in a year or 6 months in Eng.

July 25, 8

My dear Mr. Clark:

I regret to hear of the illness of Dr. Moulton which will delay John. If Dr. M. should not soon recover, it might be better to ask Dr. Milligan to finish the work. However, I leave this matter to your own best judgment. We are ready with our part at any time.

I am not a little surprized and disturbed at your dissatisfaction with the illustrations (if I rightly decipher your hieroglyphics). The specimen we sent out in 1875 seemed to give general satisfaction. I remember Dr Gordet, too, was delighted with them. Dr. Thomson is quite an authority in matters of Palestine both in England and this country. Such publishers as the Nelsons & Harpers must have great confidence in him, else they would not have gone to such great expense for the third ed. of his "Land & the Book." I would not know what better man I could select for this department than Dr Thomson & his son. But if you so much dislike the illustrations, I would respectfully suggest that you publish the Com. in your own style without any illustrations, & let if you can arrange with Messrs. Scribner's Sons.

I desire to get the second vol. of the Ch. Dict. ready as soon as possible, & told Mr Scribner to-day that he must make definite arrangements about illustrations in a few days. But I am very anxious to be relieved of the Old Test. part & to hand it over to some younger & stronger man. The vexatious & disappointing delays of this Com. have nearly exhausted my stock of patience & zeal. I must husband my time and strength for works of my own which lay nearer to my heart.

Please send me proofs of John from time to time to keep me posted.

I just returned from a journey to California, and find my table covered with letters. My wife & daughter join me in kind regards to your family and in hearty congratulations on your dear Kate's marriage & John's return.

Very truly Yours

Philip Schaff

42, Sept. 20 1878

My dear Dean:

Most heartily do I welcome you to the United States, the land of my adoption. Had I had any intimation of your coming I would have written to London what I write to you now immediately on my return from vacation.

I am probably as old a friend as you have in America, having been first introduced to you in 1844 at Oxford. I may therefore without impropriety claim the privilege to show you as much attention during your stay in N. York as may be convenient and agreeable to you.

I offer you a prophet's room in my plain but comfortable home, No 15 East 43rd Str. between Madison & Fifth Avenues.

I wish to introduce you to the Century Club (our Athenaeum) which is open every day, and to Chi Alpha, a choice association of thirty divines & ministers who meet every Saturday evening.

I shall be glad if you can be here during the next monthly meeting of our Revision Companies on the last Friday of the month, or in October.

At all events I shall invite the Bible Revisers, the members of the Faculty of the Union Theol. Seminary (to which I belong as the occupant of the chair of Dr Edward Robinson), and a number of eminent scholars and Christian gentlemen to meet you in my house either informally at breakfast or if you prefer formally in the evening, as soon as you inform me of the time of your arrival in New York and the day most convenient to you.

Yours very faithfully

Philip Schaff

The Very Reverend the Dean of Westminster.