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My Dear Sir

I have been asked by a particular Friend if I could take the liberty of recommending the Bearer Mr. Bruce to your favorable notice; as an advantage which he is extremely ambitious of, & would derive great profit from, as well as pleasure. He is a young man of excellent family in Wales & proposes passing some months at home previous to his residence & studies at Oxford. I am sensible that your valuable time must be greatly intruded upon by a vast number of persons who have also this ambition, but I presume to think that your benevolence is willingly bestowed