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Letter from Simon Newcomb to Michelson asking about state of light velocity work.

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Dear Sir:

I have recently returned from abroad and my first serious piece of work will be the completion of my discussion of the Velocity of Light. Meanwhile I would be pleased to know the present state of your recent work on the subject and whether you are in a position to undertake the repetition of Foucault experiments on the difference in velocity in a refracting medium.

A copy of the proceedings of the Montreal meetings A. A. A. S. has been sent here for you. Please tell me what I shall do with it.

Yours very truly,
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