

University of Pennsylvania
Philadelphia May 5. 1881.

My dear Prof. Stockwell:-

I am in receipt of
a letter from Prof. Michelson
dated at Heidelberg April 19th
announcing the arrival of my
telegram and also of a letter
from the Secretary of your board
of Trustees informing him of his
election. He says he has sent
his acceptance of the position.
So this matter has now been suc-
cessfully arranged and I believe
to the satisfaction of all concerned.
I am sure the Case School will
never regret this step and I hope
they will provide for him the am-
plest means of experiment and it.

Illustration. Physical apparatus is more costly at the outset than chemical, but then the wear and tear is less and the renewals are less frequent. I should not think, to judge from my own experience that it would be worthwhile to start with less than \$10,000 worth, with the intention of doubling it after 4 or 5 years.

As to the expense of cabling, I suppose Mr. Michelson will be quite willing to pay it. But as it was done also for the Case School, I think it would be a gracious thing for them to assume the whole of it. The first telegram cost \$4.96; the second \$3.72. Unless you feel perfectly willing to pay both, I would prefer to collect both from him.

Cordially yours

Geo. F. Barker.