

5th Nov.

Dear Pelham,

With entrance exams,
opening lectures & a drill in-
spection, I cd. not answer
yours last week about A.M.

Sat. 10th Nov. 1877

I cd. not get a minute to continue
till this morning. Sayce is re-
solved to have a cook, which
I have found to be an unnecessary
luxury, to add greatly to the
expense. With a cook the three
of us will cost 3£ per day

without a cook 2£10/ per
day would cover everything
in that I include a considerable
amount of tipping of all kinds
chiefly payment for information.
It is cheaper to pay 10/ in tips in
a village, than to spend an extra
day in the village & tip 3/.

What I wish to do is to
spend three full months in
the country: starting from
my terminus up toward
Apameia-Celaenae, going along

the north side of Taurus to
the Cilician Gates, taking
a few days in the Calycad-
mus valley on the way: then
spend a few weeks in
the Anti-taurus region,
where I know that numerous
Syro-Cappadocian ("Hittite")
monuments remain to be dis-
covered, & the whole Roman
road-system might be settled.
Then return across the north
side of the plateau either to

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summer's exploration. always yrs truly
Smyrna, Constantinople, or
Smyrna. The favourable
time of the year would be to start
from Smyrna (if Sayce can
do it) May 20th, pick up Hoop-
with a fortnight or three weeks
later at the end of the Calycad-
nus valley, or at the Cilician
Gates, & finish up in the latter
part of Augustus. I find that
travelling thro' out August &
September is too great a strain
to be ventured on rashly by old
men like Sayce & me. One
wants a little time in England
or Scotland to recuperate after a