



18 March 1886

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I have received your great work on Iron & Steel a wonderful result of your industry & assiduity. The matter in it catches my attention every time I open it. I feel a little wearied by the thoughts of reading it, what must the thinking out of it have been to you. It seems to me like a continuous sacrifice of life & rather of many lives. I do not wonder that you have been shy about publishing here - nevertheless I am glad we are going to have you other teachers & trusts that the matter will not add to the residue of fatigue that must be upon you but



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but still accept them & thank  
you very heartily for both

Ever Yours

W. G. L. G.

Dr. P. G.

L. G. L.

FARADAY, MICHAEL (1791-1869).

Inventor. London.

A.L.S. to John Percy (1817-1889).

18 Mar. 1864.  $1\frac{1}{2}$ p. (double sheet,  
octavo.) With embossed stamp of The  
Royal Institution.

A thank-you letter for a copy of Percy's  
book on iron and steel; he is glad that  
Percy is to lecture at the Institution in  
the spring. A friendly and warm letter written  
to the great metallurgist; Percy's volume,  
On Iron and Steel, had just been published.

It was the second part of a projected work to  
cover the entire science of metals; research on it  
had begun in 1851, and Faraday speaks of the  
fatigue which Percy must be suffering.

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Ever yours

M. Faraday

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