Amherst May 6th 1859

Dear Sir,

As you were not present at the beginning of the term this week, the faculty asked me to lecture to the junior class today. I commenced. My lectures by the catalogue should not commence until three weeks or there two following weeks assigned to me the remainder of the term. The last six weeks I have lectures assigned me every day also on physiology. This is quite clear that I cannot perform.
impossibilities & lecture
on this subject. The same
hour would come near
such a requirement. It
has occurred to me that if
you could find it conven-
tient to let one go on for
two or three weeks if the
student were present. But if one go on for
two or three weeks it
would accommodate me.
In that case I would
try to make an arrange-
ment with Prof. Richardson
(who is now absent) to make
room for you at that time.
But if not convenient
then I must delay. I will
step aside whenever you
come. If you should be
the only I should be glad to
know it as early as
next Monday as I have
been contemplating
a brief absence after that
time. If I should not have
anything on hand.

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Most truly yours

Edward Hitchcock