



Letter from Wilhelm Ostwald to Georg Bredig, February 1904

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English Translation

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PROFESSOR DR. W. OSTWALD

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Leipzig, February 2, 1904

Dear Colleague,

I will likely travel to Frankfurt towards the end of next week, and almost certainly during the first week of March. I will write to you as soon as I know more about it myself. I haven't been there in the meantime.

Your essay on catalysis had long been among the books to be referenced. When I received it, I had the impression that it hadn't appeared independently in bookshops and should therefore be included in the reports section. As a result, it became idle and is now suffering. I will research it! In any case, I assure you that there was no ill will on my part, nor any

opposition. On the contrary, I see that your work valuably supports my goals. If you would like me to testify to this in a few words in your second edition, I would be glad to do so.

I now offer my apprentices a 25% discount off the original retail price of my books. If you would like the same offer for your colleagues, please let me know

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so that I can take the necessary steps.

Warm regards.

Sincerely,

W. Ostwald