

Letter to Edmund Halley on the sun's parallax to the moon and other matters

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Sir

You'l receive the 2^d Book on Thursday night or Friday by the Coach. I have directed it to be left with M^r Hunt at Gresham Coll. Pray let me beg the favour of a line or two to know of the receipt. I am obliged to you for pushing on the edition because of peoples expectation, thô otherwise I could be as well satisfied to let it rest a year or two longer. Tis a double favour that you are pleased to double your pains about it. D^r Wallis's papers may be long & I would not give you the trouble of transcribing them all. The heads may suffice. The resistance in swift motions is in a duplicate proportion to the celerity. The deduction of the Suns Parallax from the Moons variation I cannot promise now to consider. When Astronomers have examined whether there be such an inequality of her motion in the Quadratures as I mentioned in my last & determined the quantity thereof, I may take some occasion perhaps to tell them the reason. No more at present from

Your most affectionate humble

Servant

Is. Newton.

Cambridge.

March 1st – 8 ^{$\frac{6}{7}$} .

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For M^r Edmund Halley
to be left with M^r Hunt
in Gresham College in

London.

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