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Letter from Matthew Arnold, Harrow, London, England, to G.D. Boyle : autograph manuscript signed, 1872 February 21

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Amn.

Feb? 21st 1872.

My dear Boyle

What you propose is just
what I wanted, and I thank
you sincerely. But only last
week my eldest living boy fell
ill of what seemed a mere tedious
cold - it turned to congestion of
the brain, last Friday he died, and
tomorrow we bury him. So I
cannot bring myself to any
public appearance in the next
few weeks, unless it were a
matter of duty and urgent
need, which this, however
one might hope to do good

by it, is not. But I most
sincerely thank you for the trouble
you have taken in the matter, and
you have combined a plan which
I hope may some day be used; the
question ripens and shows new aspects
and there is no special gain in
treating it today rather than tomorrow.

most sincerely yours,

Matthew Arnold.