24 June 1948.

Dear Professor Baethgen,

It is indeed kind of you to send me your report on the present position of the Monumenta Germaniae Historica. J am very glad to find that despite all the difficulties of the time so satisfactory a solution of the problem has been arrived at, and J hope that a new and fruitful epoch in the history of the great undertaking will now begin.

In may Presidential Address the British Academy, which J have just drafted, J am giving some account of our visit to Germany, and J am glad

to know exactly what is the position with regard to the Monumenta.

With kind regards and many thanks, yours sincerely

H.S. Bell.