Dear Prof. Matthews,

Thank you very much for your letter of the 9th. of November. Although I appreciate how extremely difficult it is for you to spare any time at present for anything extra, I am most distressed that there is a possibility that you may be unable to write a contribution to "The Road Ahead". I therefore spoke to our publisher, Mr. Howard Timmins, about the date for me to hand him the script, and he agreed that we must extend the time in order not to have your views omitted from the book. So if you could manage to write the article if given another month to do so, we shall be very grateful -- this means that it should reach me by the middle of January. I do hope that this extension of time will make it possible for you.

With kind regards,
Yours sincerely,

Hildegarde Gottswoode