

LETTERS,

FROM THE

CLERK.

12/5/1933

My dear Mr. Langlo,

I am so glad to read that you are
fixing your picture of the Archbishop of
Canterbury to Balliol College, Oxford.
It will be a graceful recognition of
your connection with the College & the
greatly appreciated. When the Archbishop
made his fine speech at the Royal Academy
banquet, I was so impressed with its
excellence that I thought of writing to
him. It was wonderfully expressed &
showed a real appreciation of the position
in Act to-day. I expect he had an
interesting talk with you when you were
painting the portrait for Lambeth Palace.
I was very interested to see that they
had asked you to be a judge for the
Langlo medal at the R.B.A. You will
have an amusing experience! I shall
look in on the first opportunity in the
hope of having a chat & hearing about
your visit to Rome. It is now a very
different life from what it was in my

1889

Student days. The modern buildings must
be very destructive & I cannot say
that I like preserved ruins. In my
young days there had been excavations
between the Temple of Vesta & the Colosseum
& a few fine columns were lying about
suggesting the park with its fallen
magnificence & now it is a huge Museum.
There is a mania everywhere for digging
up everything - very interesting from a
Scientific point of view no doubt.

We study these beauties of the park & get
proud of the most horrible abominations -
it is a strange world to-day.

Kindest greetings to you all

Yours sincerely
Robert M. L. M. L.