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WITH SOME OBSERVATIONS ON THE
APPREHENSION OF DANGER FROM COMETS.

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TO
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PRESIDENT OF THE ROYAL ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY,
ETC. ETC. ETC.

MY DEAR SIR,

When I first requested your permission to dedicate to you, as a slight token of respect, a little work upon the expected comet, you are aware it was written in a more scientific and technical style than the pages now offered to the public; and I should hardly have ventured to ask for the same favour for the present treatise, did I not well know the deep interest you have always taken in the diffusion of Astronomical information of a popular kind, and your desire to encourage in others that zeal in the pursuit

of the science which for a long term of years
has been known to actuate yourself.

Your kind acquiescence with that renewed
request calls for the warmest thanks of,

My dear Sir,

Yours very truly,

J. R. HIND.

PREFACE.

IN the following pages I have attempted to supply popular answers to questions relating to the expected comet, and to comets generally, which have inundated me, in common, probably, with many others professionally engaged in astronomical pursuits, during the last four months. These replies have been jotted down, as opportunity offered, in the midst of many calls upon my time — a fact which, I fear, will be too evident from perusal. Nevertheless, while asking the reader's indulgence on this score, I venture to hope he will find, in these remarks, such popular information on the subject, as, in the event of his being unacquainted with scientific details, he would wish to meet with.