

sum

May 30/72

My dear Frank

I quite agree with you,
that it would be best to give
Mr Kraus "his head" - he
cannot run away with any
thing of consequence, & you
will pull him up if necessary,
when he sends the letter to
be used

There is a movement a foot
for having a copy of John's
portrait for the Portal. I do
not much favor it. For two
reasons, 1) because I think the
portrait, though a fine piece

of work in many parts of view,
of "staring wherever" - is to
me ^{an} unpropitious ^{to} ^{one} ^{of} ^{us} ^{wants}
^{to} ^{see} ^{that} ^{reproduction} ^{of} ^{genius}
that you father had when he
lightened up - & which a painter
of merit would have caught
2. on Walkalla at the Royal Society
is the gallery of busts in the library;
that is the place of honor &
there a bust should be.

As do I like the idea of the R.S.
being content with a copy of a
picture put "over the way"

I have never heard whether

your family when Corrie
returns.

I do not talk of "bothering" you
with letters.

Ever affly,
yours

W. B. Hooker
We all think demands
photo. first vote.