Dr. Banoo Khambata, 72 Warden Road, Bombay 26.

My dear Dr. Khambata,

I was very glad to have your letter of June 7th, which Madam has forwarded on to me from Bangalore.

I rang up your office the other day but the number was busy. I do not know whether I shall have the pleasure of seeing you in Bombay as I shall be leaving next week for Bangalore. However, I shall make an effort to contact you again on Monday.

I am very happy you liked the Panther's skin. I hope it will serve as a small memory of our meeting in Bangalore which I hope will take place again in the not too distant future.

As regards the meeting of the Indian Standard Institution, which you have suggested should be held in Kashmir, I think your suggestion is a very happy one, moreover Kashmir has many aromatic plants in common with other parts of Himalayas. I do not believe they have been exploited to any large extent so far except for the Saussurea Lappa which is grown in some parts on a plantation basis and a few others. I have always felt the Himalayas could be a wonderful source of aromatic material and I do not think it would be so very difficult to organize the procurement of it if only one could find a few enthusiastic and competent men.

Whenever you come to Bangalore, do look us up; we shall always be very happy to see you.

With our kind regards and all best wishes,

Yours very sincerely,

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