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25th December, 1947.

Dear Mr Roerich,

A line to express and to offer our deep sympathy with you in the loss of your father. You must feel the loss of his personality and you have our very sincere wishes for Heavenly comfort.

Colonel and Mrs Mahon have just arrived from Manali, after a ten-day journey. They were having a very uncomfortable time up there and are glad to be away from it though the actual departure must have been painful to them. They send kind messages to you.

I posted the letter to your wife's mother when we finally arrived in Simla, on the 20th October, and trust you have had news of her since then. Like ourselves, you must be glad to be away from the Hills though it does sadden one to think that it will be years, if ever, before we can return there.

My wife and baby may go off to Australia in a month or two and, if they leave from Bombay, I hope to see you when I travel to the port with them.

With good wishes from my wife and myself *to both of you*  
~~and~~ the hope that we shall meet again soon,

Believe me,

Yours sincerely,

Robert E. Hotz.

P.S. You will recall that we met in Kulu at the beginning of October, I expect.