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Dear Dr. Bhatnagar;

I have just returned to find your welcome letter of October 23rd. Since your time is so completely occupied a letter from you was not expected. Now, that you have found a few moments to write, I sincerely hope that an occasional note will be written in the future.

We were all concerned about your safe arrival. Mrs. Campbell was kind enough to dispel our concern when she received your "safe-arrival-cable"! We still wonder how much of your clothing remained with you all the way to India. We expect losses in that field and will be deeply surprised if these expectations prove wrong.

Your attractive offer has been given much thought. At the present time, it cannot be accepted. Professional and family obligations preclude abandoning my present practise for the next few months. Please understand that financial considerations have not at all influenced this decision. Also, there is a deep feeling for my country which seems insidiously guided towards war. During this precarious period my country stands in great need. And it is my duty to stand ready to accept the burden of our national karma.

I hope that the offer to work with you will remain open for the future. Please know that I consider your offer not only generous and an honor, but also one of unlimited potentiality in the service of mankind. In addition, it affords a stimulus for knowledge and joy which your contact inspires. I trust you will understand that the decision, not to accept it at the moment, was not arrived at easily.

The enclosure you sent, "Beware of the Medical Fallacies" by Alfred Roskamm Ross was read with much interest. His name is not listed in any of the New York telephone directories. However, I shall try to look further and keep you posted.

A number of medical periodicals and the Dispensatory of the U.S.A. was taken to the India House. Mr. Mathur will take care of the shipping. He was most cooperative and courteous. If he is to handle more of these medical items he must have authorization. He requested that you obtain permission from the Minister of External Affairs for this matter. I am sending soon more of these periodicals via regular mail.

Please note the two enclosures, - one of which may be of some interest.

We all miss you and often speak of you. I hope you are able to steal a few moments for the minimal care of your bodily needs. May I remind you again about taking the Valerian? With best wishes and warm regards,

Sincerely yours,

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