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Nov * 30 * 1934 .

Major J.C.Phelps Stokes,
100 William Street
New-York City. U.S.A.

Dear Major S t o k e s ,

The Institute has just received from New-York your kind donation of \$150 and wishes to thank you for this generous gift and for the sincere interest which you have shown for many years past in the furthering of our aims and in supporting so actively our scientific work. Especially now during the time of the terrible crisis and disruption in the world, your helping thoughts and actions are more than ever deeply appreciated and we take this opportunity to express our heartiest gratitude.

The amount will be applied towards the continuation of part of our research according to our basic programme. Since the departure of the Director for the extensive scientific expedition in the Far East, much work has been accomplished in the line of medicinal research and plantation, conducted by my son Svetoslav. Some essential oils of medicinal herbs and roots have lately been obtained by him of kinds, which as far as we are aware, have never been hitherto manufactured and which have great healing value according to the Tibetan pharmacopoeia. Besides this a number of medicines have been compounded according to the same Tibetan methods. Should you be interested in the properties or medicinal or tech-

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J.G.Phelps Stokes
100 William Street
New-York

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July 11, 1935.

Dear Mme Roerich,

I very greatly appreciate your exceedingly kind recent letter. I am almost ashamed to have done so little for Urusvati, but after all THE TASK is one, whoever and by how many soever it be fractionally performed.

So you of course know even better than I there is much to be done "here" as well as "there"

I had expected to be able to forward \$100 each month as I presume Mr.Horch informed you. But then an unforeseen situation arose requiring immediate travelling expenses for officers of the Museum; and funds set apart for Urusvati had for the time being to be otherwise applied - the diversion doubtless involved inconvenience in certain aspects of the work, but I do not know how it could have been properly avoided.

I have just had the pleasure of sending Mr.Horch the sum needed to replace that diverted, and presume it will have reached you long before this letter does.

With greatest respects I am

very sincerely yours

signed J.G.Phelps Stokes

Mme Roerich
Urusvati
Naggar, Kulu
Punjab. Brit.India.

August 6, 1935

Kulu, Punjab, Brit. India.

Dear Major S t o k e s ,

Just received your letter of July 11th and was deeply touched by your thought about Urusvati. Every remembrance of a friend is so very valuable. And I especially appreciate the spirit in which your letter was written.

We have been informed by Mr. Horch that not a cent can be forwarded any more neither to Urusvati here, nor to our European Center at Paris. Therefore the whole burden rests with us here and of course you will readily understand what a blow it is to our scientific work.

We have been conducting experiment with very valuable medicinal herbs and my son Svetoslav has been very successful in their cultivation. It has been our thought to derive out of this a certain profit in the future to conduct scientific work. But of course this will take at least three years before we can expect tangible results. The complete curtailment of our budget greatly hampered the work, which was begun but we hope to overcome these difficulties.

So far your cheque has not reached us and we shall notify you immediately upon its receipt. May be you will find it simpler to send the checks in future direct to us here (made out to "Urusvati Himalayan Research Institute of Boerich Museum" on a Calcutta or Bombay Bank) for what a formal receipt will be sent to you by the Institute.

We are sending two bottles of DEODAR oil and BALU oil, prepared here at Urusvati. Deodar and Balu are always burned as incense in the lamaseries of Tibet. These oils are the concentrated active principles of this incense. Outside of their great occult purifying power, the Balu plant is also used as a stimulant in hot baths in Tibet.

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Aug. 28th, 1935.

Kulu, Punjab, Brit. India.

Dear Major Stokes,

We have received yesterday from Mr. Horch a check for \$200 (dated Aug. 6th) as your contribution to the work of Urusvati. We wish to express to you our thanks and appreciation of your kind thought.

I hope you have received my letter of Aug. 6th. It is gratifying that the Government here will cooperate with us in the matter of letting us have suitable land for medicinal plantations and will extend their protection. Of course this is a great help, which will facilitate the realization of our project. The promised oils are being sent to-day, as we wanted to let you have freshly distilled material. We also add oil of *occimum sanctum*, one of the most sacred herbs of India, dedicated to Vishnu.

In his recent letter Prof. Roerich and Dr. Goerges Roerich send you their best greetings.

We hope that you keep in good health and enjoyed your summer vacation.

With all best wishes and heartiest greetings

Very sincerely yours,

P.S.

For your record, the previous check received, was dated May 15th, 1935.

Should there be anything else of interest to you here, we shall be only too glad to forward it to you.

We are sending you our best wishes and thanks

Very sincerely yours

"Urusevati"
NAGGAR P.O., KULU, Punjab
Br.India.

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Sept.24, 1935.

Dear Major Stokes,

With the last mail we received a notification of a cable transfer for our Institute for Rs:531 and we presume that this transfer comes from you. Many thanks for your kind remembrance.

We expect Prof.Roerich back here by November. We hear from him that this year's season ⁱⁿ on Mongolia was very successful and they gather ^{-ed} a substantial quantity of seeds of useful drought-resisting plants.

By now you should have received the samples of deodar and balu oils. if you put some drops on boiling water into the silver cup from Tibet with the engraved dragon (which I sent you as a little remembrance through Miss E.J.Lightmann) you will breathe the fragrance of our Himalayan heights. The little cup stood on my alter and was surrounded with best emanations and thoughts. As I am a great believer in talismans - this little token should add its share of good vibrations to the atmosphere of your shrine.

Thanking you once more, I send you my best wishes and sincere appreciation of your thoughts. My son Svetoslav joins me in my cordial greetings.

Yours very sincerely,

The formal receipt from the
Institute will follow.

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"URUSVATI"

NAGGAR, Kulu, Punjab.

Oct. 4, 1935

Dear Major Stokes,

We have just received from Mrs Sina Lichtmann a check for \$100 which Mr. Horch had handed over to her for the Institute on September 12th, stating that this was a donation from you and Mrs Lichtmann has forwarded the amount here.

You know already, dear Major Stokes, how thankful we are to you for your constant interest and how we value your kind support.

We hope that the oils we sent you, have reached you safely and should you need more, please let us know. It may be of interest to you that our collection of Tibetan medicines has greatly increased lately and now all the substance, which were not definitely known to the former authorities in this field (Prof. Pozdneyeff) have been identified by us.

Should we be able to bring out the IVth volume of the our Journal same time, we plan to include this material.

Thanking you again, with our very best wishes

Yours very sincerely,

(enclosed was a receipt from the
Institute for Rs: 267/-/-)

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10 Articles Peshawar wax work, value ...	3	12
2 Satsuma bowls, value ...	11	4

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