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Travel by train to Jogindarnaggar N W Ry hence by

Clive Company Please wire day arrival Katrain

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NAGGAR  
Kulu  
June 24, 1930

Dear Dr.K.,

I am sending you herewith the mail that arrived for you last night:

5 letters and  
1 packet-letter.

If any of your coolies come back please confirm receipt as I am worried that you should have safely.

Again a little deer has been brought to us. We did not want to take it, but since the men gave it for but Rs:2/-/- Mrs R. took it on experiment to be sent up to you and asks you to try and see what it eats there. The coolie is instructed to bring goat milk along from the goat-shepherds near Wandukithal, where you can always get plenty of goat milk and all your coolies know those people and will get the milk easily. Do not bother to bring the deer back, but give it to the shepherds at Nandukithal (you remember where we had lunch coming up on Saturday, 10,000 ft.) and arrange with them to keep it till the fall and to bring it down when it will be bigger and we will pay them for keeping it. The coolie has been explained here by the babu how talk this over with the Nadukihtal shepherds who are all Rumsu people and know each other and us well.

Hoping you have a good time and hoping you find things around you satisfactory, with best greetings from us all

Yours sincerely

P.S. I am also sending you herewith the Altimeter, which you may find useful when coming downhill, for marking the respective heights of the plants as gathered. I forgot to leave it with you. Any thing else I can do for you? With pleasure.



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NAGGAR  
Kulu  
June 24. 1930

3.15 pm

Dear Dr. W.,

The man who was sent this morning at 11 am with deer and letters and altimeter returned with your man, whom he had met, stating you had moved too far away, so he had no blanket and could not overnight stay anywhere. So he and another are starting again from Rumsu very early tomorrow morning.

Thanks for your letter. I am now also sending you handkerchiefs and hindustani dictionary.

Babu is on leave in Kulu - his sister is very ill. I have looked at your plants at 2 pm to-day (straps were tightened last night), but the plants are not yet dry, so we continue the drying. I have looked over 10 sheets and they seem to be alright. Since the plants are not dry, I cannot look through the whole lot, as the leaves being still soft, fold and will not lay flat. After the lot is fully dry, I will look all over, though it is not quite clear, what you mean by "good condition".

Regarding your signature on the certificate, this has to be postponed. The Babu had already asked them for the certificate so that he would send it up, but they do not part with it and require your signature in their presence.

I enjoyed your narrative about the sheep for 150 Rs. This would be the price of the whole herd. If you send a man to Nandukithal where the Rumsu people have their goats, you should get one very cheap. Of course the men should say it is for them.

Everyone here sends you hearty greetings. I was severely scolded by Miss L. for having omitted to send you her love in yesterday's letters. Herewith is a note from her. I am feeling fine after the little walk to Malana. I am as red in the face as a tomato, much to the enjoyment of everyone at table. The wonderful air and views of Chanderkhani are unforgettable!

I enquired about the treatment of the deer. It



appears that Siddoo, who is head mali and jack of all trades has handled it, and that it has been afterwards stuffed with straw and is on your table up in Arcadia. Siddoo is on leave to-day and on his return tomorrow I will ask how he did it and instruct him to amend things, if wrong.

No more news. Why tear up your nice note-book - I am sending you some sheets of paper and some envelopes, - you see, there is still an advantage of organised improved convenience over the simplicity of camp life! (besides the food and bed - I will remember that onion cake and the diluvic Bedstead for quite a long while yet!)

Wishing you all the best of luck



4  
June 25th, 7 pm.

Dear Dr K.,

Your two men, Motiram and Kimu just arrived. They want to go home to Rumsu and start there early tomorrow morning, to reach you early.

I thus hasten to send you:

2 prs frames

4 straps.

1 waterproof cover (we have not received ours back yet?)

1 basket fresh mango. (12) and 2 breads.

I have looked at the plants a few times, but they seem to take far more to dry than 12 hours. So even the first lot which came down with me is still in, and is only now taken out to give room to the new parcels. The plants seem alright and there is nothing I have noticed, that would seem to need sending back.

Herewith also one more letter for you, which came last night. Also a letter from Cox (which I am not sending) stating your application to the customs has been handed in. No other news.

Hastening to send the men off,

Yours sincerely

Kind regards from everyone in the Hall. Everyone is eager at every news from you and all hope you are well. There is anxiety whether you have enough food, please do not hesitate to write early what will be needed. When do you expect to return?



Post description: For some  
reason one will go back  
alone. The rest are really needed  
to move camp. If two must come  
tomorrow I can send you back.  
Those if wanted but see fairly two  
will return. The one who returns  
complains of some ailment that  
will incapacitate him from returning.  
A man will wait for the men if the  
men of the party tomorrow  
available.



I arrived well  
hope you find  
satisfactory.

Greetings from



Dear Mr. S.: Everything arrived 6  
all right. A thousand thanks.

I have enough provisions now to  
last three full. Thank the dear folks for  
the kind that that prompted the inclusion  
of the "extra". — Near in mourning for  
the ~~the~~ skin should be salted on the  
raw side and dried in the shade. Dried  
at any rate. — Send the certificate  
for ams up for signature or notify Kulu  
I want to be back on Thursday. I cross  
the pass this morning and will spend  
two days on the other side, then at  
least 2 days in the fir forest by Mandi  
— The men who return <sup>are</sup> due at  
2 or before, leaving at 10. They need  
not return till tomorrow <sup>before noon</sup> and  
then please send with them the  
altimeter, handkerchiefs (in my dressing  
drawer if dobi has none) and  
my dictionary of Hindustani. Also  
letters if there are any. I find none



today. — We have finished  
securing the hills around camp  
and the booty goes down. I should  
like to know in what condition  
they are drying. If anything isn't  
turning out well a specimen  
sent back could be replaced.  
The men tried yesterday to buy a  
sheep from a flock that came to  
the doorway but in their simplicity  
said it was for me and the price  
went to 750 Rs. They are wiser  
now and in the future will look  
around Malana. — Please  
greet the family heartily. I shall  
hope to see you shortly.

MC

They are taking my rucksack  
which may be used for sending  
back the implements needed. Two  
more men will bring plants tomorrow  
as soon as they return, &c



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Walter Koelz

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From Bhakhar  
D. P. D. D.  
in







(The two men need not be) 8

Dear Mr. S.

Everything came as scheduled and to front. I can't express my appreciation of that. I find the wish of supplanting some of my relics with a be-hell for London. But this terrible experiment need not be now performed. The creation has with the money. The spiders or reincarnations arrived on time! I think Baker might remit part of the cost however, since he must often have wanted to stay there on his own accord. — I shall be home tomorrow for dinner, at least. I shall be home tomorrow. I shall try to be on time for the evening meal, but the Lord or otherwise some things up here must be finally considered. — Two packets of plants go down. Please see that the straps are tightened before being put into the oven. I find they loosen sometimes in transport. — The deer died the night of arrival. — Mahanna went to Pulling to a festival & I saw the village march past. No change of judgment. — Write in haste. You are ever always in the heart of the only one of my associates here who ever will. Best to the family & affectionate  
M



Dear Mr. S.

Many thanks for  
the ticks. I have

wanted such to put  
up the map of Ind.

But for now some  
50 carpet ticks  
are wanted to nail  
down the cat-

skins. Please

Yr  
M







Altimeter and see the cost of the money  
faros. Best regard to Mame R and the  
family.  
HK

As for the plants, ask them to increase  
the fire. No need to inspect further if  
one sheet is found wet. I forgot to caution  
you about opening sheets carefully. In  
some cases the sheets stick together  
and then can only be opened by an  
effort. Before putting away off the  
fire, examine at least 12 sheets to  
be sure they are all dry. More.

Shubab comes today. K

The men are leaving at 8. If they are not  
home by 3 please stay there & cremate at  
my expense.



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Dear Mr. S.:

Where we are in Kyelang - the date you can figure out for yourself - just right. Manah's second sum, 3d Sissie, 4th Gundala 5th here. The house is a long way from ready but the man has 25 eselis at work and clearly is doing his best. He says when Madame comes several rooms but not all will be ready. He promises me one in 3 days. - The people are very glad to receive me as an advance guard of the Reich and I think Mrs. will like both the house and the location. - The journey was made very well - no trouble at all and excellent weather. The man doubled the stage at my request and I accordingly increased his tip. I hope it was all right. - It will be but extra men as it is a busy season here <sup>what</sup> with the house building and some public work. - I saw a grand devil dance at Gundala and also some sort of a celebration at Sissie and here. The country is going to be very productive, I can foresee. - Provisions have been very difficult to secure, even milk and it is well we had what we have. - I am sending you by separate cover a bulb catalog. I enclose an order for bulbs wanted for my personal use, which I would like to have sent off as soon as possible. Please advance the money for me and deduct from the sum due me on the 22d. I didn't figure up the amount because I have forgotten how many <sup>pence to</sup> shillings. (12?) I shall be much indebted



to you if you will do this for me. — Thank  
the girls from the bottom of my heart for the lovely  
lunch in the basket. It was thoroughly appreciated.  
The family has started, I assume. — Must  
and so right to fall in and no split.  
Thousand thanks & best regards!  
Letter next post.

Very Sincerely

John Keely



Dear Mr. S.: I am sending back Kimos and 12  
Mott-Ram at 10 AM, leaving the big case you  
know, where we have encamped in spite of a  
swarm of Cliff Swallows who seem to have  
been here first. — The packet with 3 traps  
is a very juicy one (containing Blue-birds)  
and will certainly have been roasted more than  
12 hrs. These should be put into the fire at once  
and the fire continued thru the night. <sup>(Steps should be</sup>  
Your two relief men haven't shown an appearance <sup>12 hrs.</sup>  
but I have a match for them on the pass.

— Two men should return here by noon  
or 1 o'clock tomorrow. — Food is good and  
perfectly, but fresh fruit would be much  
welcome. — Not a bear yet and nothing  
else visible except Marmots that abound  
but out of gunshot. — Today is the  
first good day but it will rain before  
night. — Please send back  
2 pairs of trousers with straps  
and the waterproof that they  
are taking down today. —  
Best greetings to Miss Roenick  
and the family & you  
M.C.



NAGGAR  
Kulu

July 15, 1930

My dear Dr.K.,

Your delightful letter, poststamped Kyelang 12th, came already this morning just before our caravan is moving and I am glad at the opportunity to send you this letter with them. All your news greatly interested us. The order for the bulbs will be sent tomorrow by airmail (according to your request of urgent despatch) together with Postal Order or Money Order for the necessary amount.

For you there have arrived last night 4 foreign letters, 1 postcard and 2 inland letters. The latter I opened, thinking they might be from the Forest Research Inst. or their Director. So you will find these open, one with check inside. Also two parcels came apparently from the same senders as the inland letters, so I did not open these. Miss L. is bringing you all these nine items. This letter she requested me to seal well, as a sign "of special friendship and trust". Whatever there is of the latest news, our ladies will bring you. Now we are in a terrible rush to get the ponies off - it rains slightly.

Oh yes, I must send you some photos: I tried annew man in Lahore, who was specially recommended to me, and I think his work is just as satisfactory as Kodaks, so I am going to send to him in future. Since you left on Tuesday, the parcels went next day, and was received Monday evening next week - I think this is almost a records. 1 - starting off, 2 - the caravan (yours) moving off. 3-Packing plants (your goodself), up Chanderkhani. 4 Chanderkhani - your godself coming up the snows. 5 - Malana village, have you got such view? Please keep whatever you like of the photos, and what you do not care for, you can perhaps return, but you can easily keep them all, if you like. I am also sending a calender, since you seemed to have difficulty in no-man's-land to date your letter.



By the way - the photographer's name in Lahore is Messrs Juggat Singh's Son and Bro., Exchange Buildings, The Mall, LAHORE. If you send anything to them, tell them you require work done BLACK (not grey), glossy paper, and quick and that otherwise you will not give him any more work and he will do it good.

Well, I really must hurry now, so all best wishes,

Very sincerely



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Extract from Flewett's letter: Dehra Dun has asked me for information about possible supplies of the plant Ephedra gerardiana from Lahoul. Examination of samples of this plant obtained from the Thakur of Lahoul last year revealed the fact that it contained the highest percentage of ephedrine of any samples examined to date in India. (The examination was carried out by the Forest Dept Biochemist in the Research Institute at Dehra Dun) and they want to get some idea of what supplies (in weight) of the plant could be obtained ANNUALLY from Lahoul. Any reliable information would be greatly appreciated both by me and by the Forest Economist, Minor Forest Product Section, Forest Research Institute Dehra Dun. There is, as you probably know, another Ephedra (Ephedra intermedia) very similar to E. gerardiana, but of little or no value as ephedrine content is concerned. July 23 1950

My dear Doc.K.,

Many thanks indeed for your interesting letter of the 18th. I am so glad that plants are a grand success. Your parcel also came - and it came a day earlier! As I found out afterwards, the Manali postmaster had made a mistake and the whole mail from Kyelang sent on to Kulu, and then came back from there. I also had three other letters from Gundla thus delayed. The socks are excellent - especially the dark brown ones, with colored tops and ankle strips. Could do with two more pairs of these, if your babu can spare the time to look for them. Or if he has ordered three pairs, and hand longer, then this will do, but hope he will not have them made in light grey. Am terribly disappointed about the cloth. And here the babu Tejram always told me in April and May that it was too early. Now I have taken on my responsibility, guaranteeing him a monthly minimum for two months, - kia karega. By the way, if you have any job for the tailor, please let me know, and I will make him do it, shirts after your samples, or such like. We can get almost all material from Kulu, unless it is something exquisite.

Have sent a reminder about the copper container for the reptiles.

No reply from botanical gardens as yet.

More labels ordered - Shall I send on, when received?

Carbon bisulphide placed in both places indicated.

Our washerman here has been discharged. Has delivered your things before leaving. Took them up to Arcadia. Do you need any of it? What?

Forest Dept. has not yet replied. But a letter came



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last night from Mr. Flewett, which I enclose herewith. Please mention what he writes about Ephedra gerardiana. To Mrs Roerich, I have reasons to think she will be most interested.

Sent your Kodak prints through Mr. Phailbus last night - he left early this morning with many ladies. Will probably reach before this letter.

Last night home mail despatched on same evening, as by special arrangement postmaster consents to take one reg. letter for Mrs. R. every Monday night after closing hours. This is fine, they go on with same runners. Four ordinary letters for you were enclosed in the envelope to her. Nothing else came.

Sent off airmail letter for bulbs with same day's airmail, paid for money order Rs:78/3 (Total Rs5/10/- incl. money for freight, and advised them to ship through Thos. Cook, Bombay, through whom over charges, if any, may be collected.) For Kodak paid Rs:21/5.

Last week a box of mixed fruit came from the railway guard. It is true to say - the fruit was very much mixed. Grapes, bananas - one pulp. Whatever was good to travel a few more days, was sent in a basket by coolie with Tejram. Some mangoes and half-good bananas I took liberty of destroying internally, as they would not have stood another 12 hours. Basket addressed to Mrs R., as your whereabouts not known.

If there is anything I can do for you here, please do not hesitate to write me. I shall greatly appreciate and enjoy any letter you may find time to write me.

With all very best wishes,

Yours very sincerely

P.S. I enclose a very scented little herb, which Mrs R. likes very much and which I am arranging to plant on our Estate. Please give its proper name, also latin. Is the oil commercially to be had from drugstores? Under what name? It seems so familiar. The local name is morua. I also like it, you will find it does not lose its scent for months.



Kyelang, Lahul,  
July 18, 1930.

Dear Mr. S:

Tomorrow by registered post goes a package with 3 pro. Sox at 2 Rs. each I think. The cloth is not to be had after diligent inquiry, as the Babu says. I couldn't inquire because they don't speak a language I much I comprehend a word. The cloth, I hear, is made only in winter and the supply has been sold. That is true of all winter products, so I can't find a leopard or bear skin. And the yak tails don't grow here but in Spiti and are sold in Kulu. If there is anything else, let me know.



I had your letter mth the enclosures  
and I have heard from the schoolmaster  
that our family is due as scheduled.  
Two rooms will be ready.

Written in the dark in the tent!

Regards!

Walter Keely

Plant grand success. Have also found  
a prospective birdskinner. K.



NAGGAR  
Kulu  
Punjab

July 26 1930

My dear Doctor K.,

Enclosed a foreign and a local letter.

No more news for the present. Wrote you a letter with our  
Ladies and one recently by post, hope you got them both.

I was glad to hear that plants are a great success. Hoping  
to hear from you soon again

With kind regards



Dear Mr.

17

4 boxes 22 shot catridges

1 box 410 shotgun " # 10

1 box 410 " " # 50/6

1 tin box of films. (~~this~~ contains some dozen rolls.)

Shall write in 3 days.

These above are in my front bathroom. Some in my trunk. Trunk Key tied to trunk or given to you, don't know which most likely. W.K.

Also

Labels ~~1500~~ 1500

and a 2 to 4H pencil, 4H preferable.



Mother laughed heartily when I showed  
her your ingenious arrangement of the 17  
great women. She thinks we shall send  
it to Louis, it is so good. What do you  
think?



18  
Sep 2 1930

My dear Dr Koelz,

Herewith a wire just received.

Thanks for your note - attending to send everything by next opportunity. Labels, full 3000 already sent. Key must be in trunk as I have none from you.

Carbon bisulphide seems to dry up in no time. How often am to fill it up? A pound bottle is gone already.

The Postmaster requests confirmation whether you received an insured letter from Bombay, I think he said on June 18th, insured for Rs:100, the receipt is lost and I have been requested to sign a duplicate. I believe I did receive an insured letter for you then, but wasn't it more than Rs:100? Or perhaps the amount was more, but the insurance was only Rs:100? If this information is about correct, I will on hearing from you sign the duplicate receipt. I think the matter is in order.

Delighted to hear you intend writing in some days. Awaiting to hear from you with great interest.

All your mail is being forwarded regularly. Have you received the parcel from the Kamera People in Germany? I redirected it here, as there was no time to repack and reregister it, as it was after 9.30 pm and the Manali cooly with mail was ready to leave.

With all my very best wishes

Yours sincerely,



NAGGAR  
Kulu  
Punjab

Sep 8 1930

Dear Dr K.,

Many many thanks for your letter to hand. Shots and pencils sent (the hardest available here are 2H, shall I order any 4H for you? But I am greatly disturbed that despite hours of searching we could not open your iron-edged trunk where apparently the films must be, as I could not find them any where, and Ludm. helped me trying out all the keys of the house, but the lock stands firm. You certainly have never given me any key, and it is not attached nor lying about anywhere. But it was apparently attached as there is some string. Ludm. says she remembers having seen some flat key with you, so I hope you have it and will send it by reg mail and I will send you the films at once by reg parcel.

It is very kind of you to ask me what souvenir to bring, but really please, do not worry, Dr.K., there is really nothing, if yack's tails are out of season, as I have pattis and socks in plenty now. But if you will let me have some nice photos (I have seen some with Mrs Horch, one where all the ladies including Mme R. are in a tent) then I shall be overdelighted - and some negatives to borrow for my slides, for a night or two.

Asked Babu, and he assures me that your roses have been put in and other flowers as well, and that beds are ready.

You write that you are planning trips to Chanderkhani Kulu, Lahore, Cashmere and God knows where else and whether I am coming? Well, to Chaderkhani I want to go immediately after the Great Return to Naggar of you all, but the other places, ESPECIALLY Kulu or Lahore have no attraction for me. I do not want go down at all, up, up only. Miss Lichtmann has promised to join me in the trip up to Chanderkhani - I am only worried about Mme R's health and whether we shall be able with an unworrying heart, to leave her at the Hall.

Hope to send you with to-night's Big Mail some letters for you from your home, if the mail comes in time to-night. With all my best wishes

P.S. Please tell your babu not to buy any more stuff for



me, even if he gets any pattis, as I have plenty of everything now, so let him bring back what's left of my money.



Dear Babu: Gundla.

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But Ram announces  
this morning without  
reason that he is  
leaving my service.  
Please hold up his  
wages until I arrive.  
Money has been advanced  
him but my Babu is not  
here now and I can't  
pay him much. - I <sup>expect to</sup> leave  
here tomorrow and  
then hope to be home on  
the regular stages.

W. Keely

September 26, 1930.



Babu Dey Ram



Dear Mr. S.: We are about to start  
having located a Coolie-Maki <sup>21</sup> Room of blessed  
memory. - Please send off the two letters for  
me. - In the one that goes out by airmail is  
a bill to pay. Please enclose money order. I hope  
you have enough money. If not ask Mrs. L.  
She owes me money. Many thanks!

MK.



Walter R. R. R.



Mr. Shibayeff.

I am in the bush and  
just have your note but nothing  
to the effect that the needed cartridges  
and films have been sent. The films  
are in the trunk and the key is on  
the trunk (handles). Cartridges wanted are  
22 caliber and no 10 + 5 of .410 gauge.  
Please send also some alum + boxes  
mixed. — Great permit, right? Will  
eat bear and ibex now.

Warily,

N. K.

To Mr. U. Shibayeff

Naggar

Kulu



Dear Mr. S.

I shall be much obligated  
if you will give leaves any mail-  
telegram received all right. Many  
thanks. (Rec'd)

I shall not be down to luncheon  
don't feel in the least like eating.  
A taxi driver cupped my nose so that  
I have had hemorrhage till I can't  
put one foot ahead of the other!

Alcohol beneath.

Nb.

Jan. 5, 1931.

Nine 10 beneath. Thanks.



Jan 8, 1931

Dear Dr. Koelz,

Dr. G. de Roerich asks me to acknowledge receipt of your note. Everything you mention is having our attention. Regarding gummed labels, we have word from NY that these left there on December 15th, so should be here next week, or perhaps a few days later if the custom house detains them for inspection.

Thanks for the vegetables.

Yours sincerely,

Yes, please send a man for your luncheon .



Jan. 15th, 1931

Dear Dr. Koelz,

The following information is requested  
for the scientific Reports of the Institute

How many plants were sent to Michigan Univ.? *1500 numbers*  
*Some 3000 plants*  
*each*

How many plants were sent to New-York Bot. Grns? *1500 numbers*

How many plants will be sent to Jardin d. Pl. Paris? *2000 plants*

How many plants are on record in Naggar? *1560 numbers. Some 4000 plants*

How many birds are on record in Naggar? *750*

*Mammals, including 10 big game skins 40*

If possible, I shall be greatly obliged, if reply could be  
given by return, as the reports are leaving by airmail to-day.

Also collection of dragon flies, grasshoppers will go to  
the Univ. of Mich. . Seeds to N.Y. Bot gardens to U. of Mich.  
& Dept. of Agriculture, Washington. Seeds of ornamental  
plants.



Returning Miss L<sup>d</sup> Thread (Calk) &  
Dr. G's book.

NAGGAR  
KULU  
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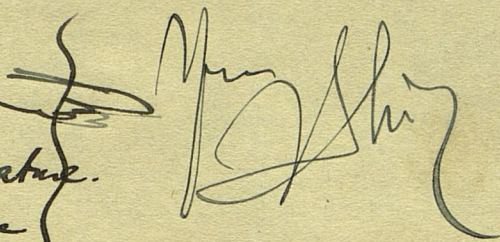
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Jan 16th 1931

Dear Dr. Koelz,

Prof. Roerich asked me to give  
you this book, which you may send to  
your friend in Japan (it is "Adamant",  
by Prof. Roerich), and please ask your  
friend, when he has finished reading  
it to place it in a public library,  
where it is not yet to be had.

This looks  
like a bank  
President's signature.  
I shall examine  
all the new 5 rupee notes  
with this in mind.



Will this tin do for the seeds of the  
Jardin de Plantes? It will then be sent  
in a wooden box, as tins are other crushed.

The Tin is O.K. Shall send book into  
pleasure. Many thanks.

ma



Jan 21, 1931

Dear Dr. Koelz,

I gather that you want your mail up till to-day sent to you at Lahore, and I am consequentl forwarding you herewith all what has arrived up till now, except one large parcel, declared to contain 4 bird skins, from Mr. Nagamichi Kuroda, Tokyo and 1 parcel from Mr. M. Hagle, U.S.A., both duty free, which we are keeping here until your arrival. Your 8 skins have also come and Miss Lichtmann kindly took them over.

As regards the enclosed letters, you will find one half open - that's how it came. And one from Kashmir, was opened and read by the Institute, being of a general nature.

I was glad to hear that you hope to get Rect. Spirits free of tax, of course wasting 200 Rs would be no good. I hope the permit comes thru soon - do you hope you will still be able to bring it?

Believe Clive is running till March 31st, is this so?

Am also enclosing 300 of the 1000 of labels, which have come. Keeping the rest for you here, or if you need more, please advise to what address to send, and I will send it at once.

Miss L. is also writing you with this letter, and will be giving you all the news, with which I will not burden you in repeating. We are all very sad that Mrs R's health shows no improvement whatsoever and this worries us greatly.

Dr. George R. sends you his greetings. He hopes to receive your fortnightly scientific report shortly.

With my veru best wishes, and please let me know if there is anything I can do for you - it will be a pleasure  
Your



Feb 2, 1931.

The Manager,  
Nedou's Hotel.  
Lahore.

Dear Sir,

Enclosed please find a letter for Dr. Walter N. Koelz from Naggar, who we expect is staying at present ~~with~~our Hotel. Please hand the letter over to him personally. In case however that Dr. Koelz has already left Lahore on his way homeward and will not call again at your Hotel, then please return the letter to our address immediately by REGISTERED mail, for what 3 Annas in stamps are enclosed herewith.

Kindly excuse the trouble, but not knowing the exact dates of the movements of Dr. Koelz, we would like to make certain that the enclosed letter reaches him or is returned, if he has already left homeward.

Thanking you,

Yours very truly,

Secretary.



Feb. 2nd, 1931.

Dear Dr. Koelz,

Further to my letter of Saturday, Miss L. sent you yesterday a packet of snaps, which we hope has reached safely. Some of them are really excellent.

Last night came the enclosed permit, which I hasten to send on, hoping it is correct now and hoping you will be able to arrange for the 8 gallons without tax now. Please drop me a line that you have safely received this latter.

With very best wishes for a nice botanical and birds catch,

Yours very sincerely,



Dear Mr. Shibayeff:

Thanks for the lunch.

I am very sorry to hear such serious news. If I can help, please let me know.

Very sincerely,

Walter Kaelz

February 18.



Dear Mr. S.;

The letter you asked for is  
being sent. Keep it. No use to me.  
Please forward the letters and despatch  
cable. 10 Rs. enclosed.

Thanks.

Me

Please order 12 more tubes glue  
and I shall need 3 cut newspapers  
here by March 1.



Dear Mr. S.:

Please send the gentlemen  
the amount they have coming

£154 & 2. I send 20 Rs.

all

I shd also be grateful for a packet of 3 and  
Stamps. I send also a little post. Money  
Thanks Mr



Happy New Year to you

Sincerely,

G. F. Haugh  
Lt Colonel.

I do not need the Box and Alum have  
more than I want.



4 p.m.

Dear Dr,

Hope the needed rest is doing you good after your trouble. If there is anything you may want to have, please do not hesitate to write a line, I shall be so glad to do it, and to come up, if I can help you any way - but as you need rest more than anything else, do not want to trouble you unnecessarily.

The fellow came back from Katrain and the only wine shop is closed, the man having gone to some high up village. We are sending down again tomorrow morning, and should the shop still be closed, our man will run on Kulu to get the Cherry Brandy there. In the meantime, if you need some now, we can send up some of our stock?

Yr's. V. Sh



Dear Mr. S.:

You are more than friendly.  
As a matter of fact I have just  
now finished "Thin Air" and

haven't had a sleep. Never could  
sleep day time. Don't trouble at  
all about the brandy. I hope I  
shan't need it ever again.

If they will send me a substantial  
supper I think I shall be able  
to eat. I am as empty as a  
feather. You are more in need  
of care than I, I fear. I am  
saving the things you wanted, having  
lost my taste for them. Many  
thanks. If the post comes before  
I am gone home send it along.  
I may need something to reflect on  
tonight. Many thanks. W.



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Dr. Walter N. K o e l z ,

NAGGAR

Kulu

Punjab.



Dear Mr. S. - Please send this  
to some one else. I won't get  
around to copying it in 6 months.  
You know me, I want time every  
possible. Calcutta, all one takes.





Dear Mr. S: I am glad the Jauk came  
 with nothing the wrong than that it won't  
 hold water. I am much surprised that the top  
 is fine than if they hadn't made a top.  
 - I am sorry you are still ailing but it  
 isn't a cold, I now believe, but the Devil  
 (for details vide Miss L) who is punishing  
 us for the happy ~~life~~ life we lead. Miss  
 L. would have it that it's retribution but  
 for what? The devil is probably as likely  
 to be jealous of our felicity as our neighbors!  
 - What a shame you don't eat meat. The  
 the muskdeer is probably 500 yrs. old his meat  
 is as tender as a child's and the Laidi  
 swallows it with the greatest relish. Besides,  
 we have moral one of which is hereby being  
 sent the Babu by the Thakur. - The Vulture  
 whose flesh Rudmilla solicited had swallowed  
 whole the humerus of a sheep! Tell Miss L.  
 that I have been properly photographed with  
 the deer & the Vulture by the best talent available  
 after being of the number! - I resent very much  
 that you accuse me of being a drinker of whiskey.  
 I have a new illness now, and have solicited



Miss L. to send all possible remedies & have  
biked Ath to bring them before sunset and I hope  
any one to say Cognac was mentioned <sup>except with disgust</sup> — I  
believe you have a slight influenza and ought  
to go to bed, which remedy will please you  
as much as any other. I hope you will be better  
when I return some 4 days hence.

Very sincerely  
J. M.



Dear Mr. S:

All parcels to be  
 registered please. The 2  
 to Stanley <sup>+ one to Rust</sup> (Should go today)

Rest can wait if necessary

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Me

Sending also one letter to be registered.



Dear Mr. S.: What a heaven you have that me for  
 apparently disregarding all your nice actions! But I have  
 really been so surprised that I have had no occasion  
 to reflect on my shortcomings and even today, you would  
 have had the letter, the promised, safe for my brother &  
 your sister. — The life you have had most adequately  
 described than I can do it and the pictures that illustrate  
 it have still not come back from Lahore. Darü's  
 "Geschichte, die ich zutiefst ergötzen werde. Many  
 thanks for the snake you sent. Will compare when  
 I get home. I'll have some from here you'll want too.  
 — Your questions: I don't know the scientific names of  
 your masua. It is lovely and I shall find out the  
 names as soon as possible. I think it will grow  
 without difficulty. — The Ephedra literature is awful.  
 I haven't looked at a printed word since I have been  
 here. Mr. F's letter must also wait for an answer.  
 He is here now but I haven't time to look for him.  
 — The labels have been thankfully read and the box  
 of 12 gauge shotgun shells. I expect the other cartidge  
 and films today if, as and when the vegetable comes  
 arrives. If you want anything done here, let me  
 know. Mr. Shall in a few days be less busy and  
 anyway Mr. Carr always find time to do what  
 you want. I have no recollection now of anything  
 you wanted. What shall I bring you as a souvenir?  
 I shall get something for which if you don't express



a mile. There hasn't been much to buy. The people  
are for the most part hard-boiled and bring nothing  
but junk. We have but the junk till we are  
fully impatient — I am glad the plants arrived  
all right. I worried so much about them that you  
will be benefited by my care much more than I had  
send any more of anything had happened to them  
I should have had to commit suicide. — I have  
wondered whether Babu had the rice flaked and  
the beds prepared as he had planned for Arcadia.  
I have had the acknowledgment of the toilet set  
and I am thrilled beyond words. To wait for the  
the flowers. You were an angel to look after them  
for me. — I should have done a lot  
of sewing done by the ladies but I couldn't make  
up my mind to let him start out without the  
ladies' kind advice on materials, fashions, etc. The  
business of all the confusion of the spring is done  
up. — Babu is considering to go to wear and  
then the weather is getting chilly. — He is planning  
trips to Chanderkhan, Kailash, Lahore, Cashmere and  
God knows where else. Don't you want to come?  
— He will all be home shortly and will have words  
of talk for you until you'll wish he had stayed here.  
Give my regards to Babu. With very best regards and  
unfathomable thanks!

Walter Kaul



Dear Secretary Sahib:

Please send with  
my Confidential advisor  
any letters that may  
have come. I shall  
be down for supper to  
Thank you for your  
Copr. Me



Dear Mr. S.:

Please send the blue  
Indra ink with the bears and  
● order black to be kept in stock.  
It is indispensable for all labeling.

I owe Mrs L. 68 Rs. Therefor  
give her all the money due  
me and advance the balance from  
● my salary due tomorrow.

Did the 10. Stamps come  
from the P.O.?

HK,



2 Cans gumoil

3 1/2 One

2 X 12 hard pencils

Pens

GNL

3 H  
2 H



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Dear Mr. S.:

The forceps of which I were  
ordered in Dec. or Jan. were all  
right, but as you say no more are  
in stock there is nothing to be done  
about it. The forceps of which  
sample is enclosed <sup>one of</sup> these &  
a dozen more will do. There should  
be points but not sharp points (like  
jeweler's forceps) They may be  $\frac{1}{2}$  -  $\frac{3}{4}$ "  
longer but not shorter.



These have been stepped on  
& their utility unpaired.

Many thanks for the  
~~other~~ things.  
Me.

I shall not be down today unless  
something prevents me from going  
out. Me



Dear Mr. S.:

Snuffering goes today. Please pay  
him up in full. The other 2 say they  
were following his instructions, so they  
shd also not be fined. The 2 Lant's stay.

Wm.



~~1475~~

1508

~~1500~~

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~~1506~~



Dear Mr. Shubayeff:

Please pay Duftsering  
for the month in full.

He is leaving the business.

JK



Dear Mr. S.:

This announces my  
arrival on the premises,  
and such a phenomenon  
be of interest. Please  
give over any mail  
you have for me. See  
you at supper - W



Dear Mr. S.:

45

I want to pack.

sep plants for America.  
How large may bundle  
be best sent. and  
what do you put  
outside for strengthening  
before enclosing in  
paper?

Did you find the  
Catalog?

Yours truly  
H. H. H.



order You could you  
Come down ?

GR.



Dear Mr. S.

Many thanks for the favors.

• The charges for tanning  
are not bad, provided the  
work is good.

• I shall look for a Split  
Tanner this summer & have  
work done on the premises in  
the future. Me

GR  
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Dear Mr. S.:

Please prepare to  
• pay Sunam &  
Dorje their wages  
to including 29th.

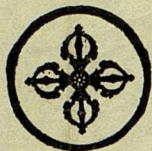
• They leave today  
for Lahul.

Dorje began work  
on the 2d. & gets 70 Rs  
monthly. ~~Let~~ Sunam is  
regular at 70 Rs. The



NAGGAR, KULU  
PUNJAB, INDIA

—  
CABLE ADDRESS  
ROERICH NAGGAR, INDIA



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OF THE  
ROERICH MUSEUM

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310 RIVERSIDE DRIVE  
NEW YORK, U. S. A.

CABLE: UNITAR, N. Y.

—  
TEL. CLARKSON 1700

*Dear Dr. R.*

*I found another and  
little more*



Dear Mr. S:

Herewith 5 bundles of dried  
plants for scientific purposes, no  
commercial value. N.Y. Bot. Gardens  
lot contains ca 800 numbers; Michigan  
lot ca 700 numbers. Letter of transmittal from  
Urusvati to be sent?

Also my order to Ant. Roze.  
Please buy 5 and put inside, or however,  
and register, 100 Rs. inside letter.

Catalog returned herewith. Many thanks.

MP



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NAGGAR  
KULU  
PUNJAB.

March 27th 1931

Dear Dr Koelz,

Herewith is the reply from the  
PSMart - they apparently did not under-  
stand that the folder is to be double  
and consequently their quotation now  
is double also.

*Good*  
I believe it best to have the  
the cardboard sent in full size 22x28  
and fold and cut it here, that will be  
cheapest, and the narrow white straps  
can be very useful for a thousand other  
things. I have a cutter, and any man  
can cut and fold the stuff in a day or  
two. What do you think?

*will do so*  
Regarding rectified spirit we think  
it would be better to send the people  
in question (Lahore?) a short reminder  
and shall be grateful if you could ask  
them to speed up the matter, as it is  
so important and urgent.

Awaiting your word

*Yours sincerely*  
*Shay*

All labels are apparently in print and  
I await proofs tonight or tomorrow

*APR*



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NAGGAR  
KULU  
PUNJAB.

April 10, 1931

Dear Dr Koelz,

I am sending you herewith  
a letter concerning the extention of our  
agreement. Please return the previous one  
and please send your letter of acceptance.

Yours sincerely

*Genger deRoerich*



Dear Mr. S.

I send you 3 pkts  
films. Of one parcel  
(9 films) I want a plain  
glossy whitebordered print.  
These were not in your  
lot. The rest as your set.  
Of these set, nine (9) have  
been segregated. I shd  
like a 7x7 cm. enlargement  
glossy whiteborder of each  
of the 9.

Yr



51  
May 13

Dear Dr Koelz,

Thermos has been ordered.

Regarding skins: I cannot find any reference to prices arranged with the firm, please let me know what charges were arranged for, otherwise as you know, there may be no limit to what these firms may try to charge us.

AS.

2 redd bear .....  
1 ghooral.....  
1 black bear.....  
3 musk deer.....  
4 ibex-.....  
1 fox.....  
1 Nabo.....  
2 martin.....  
2 jackal.....  
1 cat.....  
1 tiger (cloudy leopard)

no prices arranged.



Aug. 15, Loh.

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Dear Mr. Shubayeff: Many thanks for  
the mail and your note. Things arrived  
well as I informed you by wire. We leave Loh  
today early and go on down the river. We may  
not go far, because Mr. Still has shape and  
dysentery. They are near. — I am sending back  
a man with skins & skulls & some personal  
effects. Among the personal things, i. the wood  
box are 2 small teapots that belong to Mrs.  
Lichtmann. These may be removed at her or your  
pleasure. The large teapot is mine & the con-  
tents of the small one are also. — The trophies  
have been a wonderful success. The collections are  
enormous and exceedingly interesting. There have been  
no adventures and no illness nor trouble. And  
such country, but that must wait description till  
I come back. Photographs I have taken at the  
slightest provocation. Please look at the skins  
that the moths haven't eaten them. A day in the  
sun will assure that or best put them in a  
box & dehydrate with Carbonic acid. The heads  
can be put anywhere where the rats won't get  
them. The moths don't matter for them. — Please  
pay the man who brings the things seven (7) roubles  
the cost in full of the hauling. — I shall be  
home around the 7th or 10th of October if things



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So as planned. I am at a loss to know  
what sort of a sentence to bring you there is almost  
nothing here and that I am carrying. I  
don't know what has happened to the Leh pro-  
ductivity.

Many many thanks for your kindness  
in looking after my things so well. I  
appreciate it much.

Best regards

Walter Koch



Dear Mr. S.:

Our outfit leaves  
in the morning early  
for Rampur. If you  
wish to settle your  
payroll they will be  
available today.

Ringchen Gaden  
begins work on Oct. 19.

Tashi and Domba  
have been paid as  
indicated on your slips.  
M



S. E. 6.

No: 535 L.B.

ON HIS MAJESTY'S SERVICE.

BRITISH-149DCS(M-21-1-29-13,30,000.

GRS  
Chief  
Office of B. J. C.  
L. C. C.

Walter Kaelz Esqr.  
Naggar Kulu

Punjab



Dear Mr. S. :

An item for your accounts. This with the horseman accounts of yesterday - one for Rs 58 and one for Rs 13 complete the Rampur accounts.

● The new man Dorje entered service November 13 at Rs. 20.

No advances have been made any of the men.

December 15, 1931.

MK.

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Dear Mr. S.;

Please do not be distressed. I have a nausea that prevents me from swallowing anything. And medicine there's no use taking.

I am resting in bed and will be all right tomorrow when I hope to see you.

If I feel hungry toward evening I shall send a man for food. You are very kind.

American mail says Mr. Coolidge was very pleased with the material we sent Harvard. A friend sat beside him at a dinner in N.Y.

W.

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NAGGAR  
Kulu  
Punjab

February 5th 1932

Dear Dr. K o e l z ,

With reference to your letter of to-day's date to the Post-Master, Naggar, recalling the authorization issued by you to my name on May 29th, 1930 (of which I have the carbon copy and what you cannot have forgotten since Dr. de Roerich wrote you this morning that you had given the authorization to my name) and entrusting now your servant to receive your mail, I have to state that your action in not advising me before in this matter nor consulting me as to the best form in which such change of authorization is best to be effected, has naturally lent itself to create the impression amongst those connected with this matter, that you have reasons to mistrust the person, to whom you have once given authority.

I fail to understand this, as it is contrary to the most primitive conceptions of ethics, that you avail yourself for 2 years of my personal favours in order to bring it to such an offensive end, and would like to have a written explanation from you.

Yours sincerely,



Feb. 27 , 1932

Dear Dr. Koelz

We are sending you up lunch  
as Dr. Roerich and L. Mingyur  
have gone out and I do not know  
when they will return

Yours sincerely,



Feb. 29th 1932

Dear Dr. Koels,

In reply to your letter of to-day's date I write to tell you that the notice does not apply to you personally nor to the permanent staff of the Institute.

Yours sincerely,

Secretary



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Kulu, March 2nd 1932

Dr. W. N. Koelz,  
of Urusvati Himalayan Research  
Institute.  
Dhakbungalow. KULU.

Dear Dr. Koelz,

I have been waiting to pay you the amount of Rs:122 for tips on your trip, as agreed between the Director and you yesterday. First I waited at Naggar, yesterday March 1st, then here and today since the morning. I had just asked you to come to receive it when our servant Tashi came to tell me that you wanted it to be paid in your room.

I have therefore sent our clerk Babu Luddar Chand to you, but he reports that you had left without waiting for it. I can hardly be expected to wait any longer. I am asking the Sub-Inspector of Police in Kulu to kindly have it transmitted to you, against signature on attached receipt.

Yours sincerely,

Secretary



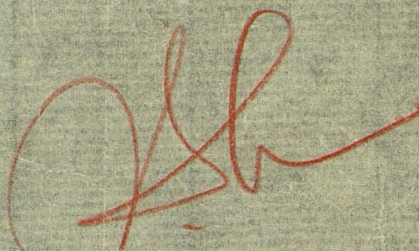
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Dear Dr Koelz,

Herewith your 13 forceps which is the nearest one can get.

Also a letter from Upper India Taxidermist Co about the skins. Now knowing your previous correspondence estimate and cost, I also hand over this letter to you. If you want me to answer them, please send previous letters and copies of your letters to them. The skins would have to be very safely packed (how?) and would have to be sent to Jogindarnagar N.W.Ry, and the railway receipt to us here and I will then send it to the Imperial Motor Service.

Your medical supplies for the trip have come will find time tomorrow or day after (after airmail is off) and will send them up. If very urgently needed can do it tonight.

Greetings



*Please see the Forceps  
from mine on page 17  
and again 17 1/2*



Dear Mr. S. I'm sorry about the medicine.  
Dr. G. sent a flask of it.

The forceps are just the  
thing. Inexpensive & thanks.

I think the skins should  
be wrapped against water  
and sprinkled inside with  
tobacco dust or Camphor  
balls to keep out pests.

I had given up the skins  
entirely. — Also, another thermometer is

needed. Spoke with Dr. R. this AM. The cheap  
ones are totally unfit for travel. They break by  
falling over. Unless one can be given from here the order should  
be telegraphed. The horse will be here within 10 days. — A  
man brings Sapphire. Perhaps some one is  
interested. M.