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14 April 1914.

His Excellency H.H. Tewfik Pasha,
Turkish Embassy,
69 Portland Place, W.

Sir,

I am sure you will be pleased to learn that through the very kind letter of introduction to His Highness Said Halim Pasha which you so kindly gave me previous to my visit to Constantinople in February last, I received the most courteous assistance from the Ministers and officials connected with the various libraries with whom I came into contact.

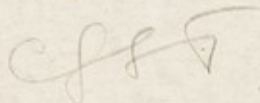
I feel I owe you my sincere thanks for your letter through which I was able to obtain some most interesting material concerning the early history of Turkish medicine.

It is my intention to represent the history of Turkish medicine from the earliest times, very fully, pictorially and otherwise in the Wellcome Historical Medical Museum which will be re-opened towards the end of May. I trust Your Excellency will favour us with a visit some time during the summer,

If you will kindly let me know any day convenient to you after June 1st., I shall be most pleased to conduct you through the building and explain the various objects of interest.

I am,

Your Excellency's obedient Servant,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be 'C. J. S.' or similar, written in a cursive style.

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29 January 1914.

Dear Sir,

Will you please convey my very cordial thanks to His Excellency the Turkish Ambassador for so kindly furnishing me with a letter of introduction to the Minister of Foreign Affairs in Constantinople.

I take this opportunity also for tendering you my hearty thanks for the trouble you have taken in the matter.

I am,

Faithfully yours,

C. S. T.

The Secretary,

Turkish Embassy,

69 Portland Place, W.

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28 January 1914.

Dear Sir,

Referring to our conversation over the telephone yesterday with respect to the letter of introduction from His Excellency the Ambassador to the Directors of the Imperial Library in Constantinople, as it has not yet come to hand, I should be greatly obliged if you could send it per bearer to save you further trouble. I have now come to the last minute, and am leaving very shortly.

Apologising for troubling you so often on the matter,

I am,

Faithfully yours,

C. S. S.

The Secretary,
Turkish Legation,
69 Portland Place, W.

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The Imperial Ottoman
Embassy

London Jan. 27, 1914.

Dear Sir,

Mr. C.J.S. Thompson is visiting Constantinople in order to be able to study there, in the different libraries, the manuscripts and printed works relating to the history of medicine. His researches and studies have for object the obtaining of information upon the origin and evolution of Oriental, Arab and Turkish Medicine, for a Medical Museum recently organised in London by Mr H.S. Wellcome.

Considering the essentially scientific character of this mission and the fact that Mr. Thompson has been recommended to me by the Director of the British Museum, I should be very grateful if Your Highness would kindly give the necessary orders to those whom it may concern so that facilities may be accorded to Mr. Thompson in the accomplishment of the task which has been assigned to him.

Please accept, Your Excellency, the assurance of my highest esteem.

(Signed)

Teufik

To His Highness

Said Halim Pacha

Minister of Foreign Affairs to His Imperial Majesty the Sultan

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W. H. Murray

29 December 1913.

His Excellency H.H. Tewfik Pasha,
Turkish Embassy,
69 Portland Place, W.

Sir,

I hope to visit Constantinople in February next on behalf of the Historical Medical Museum. This Museum which is an international one is re-opening in the spring as a permanent institution in London, and I am hoping to gather some material together so that the history of Turkish medicine may be represented in it.

I am very desirous of being allowed to examine the early Turkish and Arab MSS. in the Imperial Library at Constantinople, and any other collections of early MSS. dealing with the subject in the museums or other libraries, and I hope to be allowed to photograph pictures or diagrams in them. I shall bear a letter of introduction from the Director of the British Museum, and if you could also give me a letter of introduction to those who have charge of the Government Libraries, I should greatly appreciate your kindness.

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I am sending herewith a copy of the hand book to the
Historical Medical Museum which will give you an idea of its
aims and objects.

Thanking you in anticipation,

I am,

Your Excellency's obedient servant,



Tewfik Pasha.
