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BULLEID, DR. ARTHUR. MIDSOMER NORTON

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Snow Hill Buildings

23 October 1913.

Dear Sir,

I desire to thank you very cordially for so kindly sending me the charms from Somersetshire. They are most interesting and will form a valuable addition to the collection of English Folk Medicine in the Museum.

Again thanking you heartily for your kind co-operation,

I am,

Yours very truly,

Arthur Bulleid Esq., L.R.C.P., F.S.A.,
Dymboro,
Midsomer Norton.

Oct 21 1913

Dear Sir

I am sending two
specimens of charms against
disease for your exhibition
from Somerset.

No. 1. is a cure for whooping
cough and worn round the neck.
I was told by the mother of
the child who was wearing
it that the cross contains
some hair cut from the centre

of the cross on a donkeys
back, it has to be procured
by stealth at night because
the owner of the animal will
not allow the hair to be
cut. for this reason, if the
child should happen to die
the donkey dies immediately.
The hair is sewn up in
a piece of black silk ribbon

no 2 is a cure for
Blepharitis, a piece of
tanned twine enclosed in
a piece of black silk and
tied round the neck.

Believe me

Yours faithfully

Arthur Bulleid

L.R.E.P. F.S.A.