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DJURBERG, DR. V

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H.M.M.

23 January 1914.

Dear Dr. Djurberg,

In reply to your kind letter of the 18th inst., since the Historical Medical Museum closed at the beginning of November last, we have been extremely busy returning a large number of loans to all parts of the world. This has taken several months, and now we are equally busy in re-arranging the Museum in its permanent form as it is to be re-opened in the spring. In view of this, it has been quite impossible to start on our proposed illustrated and complete catalogue, and I do not think we shall be able to commence it even this year. We do contemplate such a publication when it can be done, but just now the work is so immense that it is impossible to take the matter up. You may be sure I shall not forget to send you a copy when it is published.

I want to know if you could kindly either purchase for us, or get the loan for a short time of the following book:-

"Nordiskt Medicinskt Arkiv." 1899. Band X.

I want it for an article it contains written by Axel Key, on the surgical MS. in the Royal Library at Stockholm. If it is impossible to purchase a copy of the publication, could you obtain the loan of it for us from any of your medical libraries? If you will let me know the cost of the same, I shall be very pleased to remit it to you in the event of your purchasing it, or shall have pleasure in paying the postage backwards and forwards if it can be loaned.

I am sorry that we have no objects representing early Swedish medicine in the Historical Medical Museum; it is especially important in the Chemical Section, and I am sure much might be found for us in Sweden in this way. Could you undertake to procure for us a representative collection of objects connected with Swedish medicine. We should like to have a good portrait of Scheiller, and any relics or apparatus of his connected with his discoveries. We have nothing of his at all in the Museum, and we should also much like to have any

relics of Berzelius that are obtainable. I should much like to have your views on the matter, and to know what you could suggest as a plan for getting together a collection of objects representative of early Swedish science in which your countrymen played such an important part. Will you kindly let me know what the approximate cost of such a collection would be, and if you could devote any time to it, what remuneration you would think proper.

Trusting you are well, and again thanking you for your letter,

I am,

Faithfully yours,

DOKTOR V. DJURBERG

KORNSGATAN 10

STOCKHOLM den 18 Januari 1914

Dear Sir!

During my stay in London last August you was kind enough to promise me a copy of The illustrated catalogue, you had the intention to publish.

Several times after my return home I have been called on to deliver a lecture on The Medical Historical Exhibition in London, last time only a few days ago of The chairman in The Swedish medical Society.

I should therefore be very much obliged to you, if you would communicate to me the time, if possible, when the catalogue may be published

I am

Yours very truly

Vilh. Djurberg

Dunbar

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DOKTOR V. DJURBERG
HORNSGATAN 10

C.T. hisadnick
for ~~the~~
STOCKHOLM den 29 Sept. 1913

Mr Henry S. Wellcome!
Dear Sir!

During the first days of my stay in London this summer, I had the opportunity to read the speeches made at the opening of the "Medical Historical Museum" the 24th of June 1912.

It was with great satisfaction that I read in your answer your intention that the museum should be a permanent institution and that the collections in time should be made still more complete.

I often thought during my studies there, how pleasant it must be for those who have their work and interests in such an institution, on the same time regarding, that we here in Sweden do not have any place of the same kind, where my own historical and

and scientific interests may be made of use.

Since my return home
This thought has not left me, so I am taking
the liberty of asking you, if all your fellow
workers at the museum are appointed, and if
that is not the case, if you would be willing
to consult me for one of the posts?

I realize that to you this
question may seem both unexpected and peculiar,
put forward as it is by a foreigner and a stranger,
who only a couple of times has had the pleasure
of meeting you.

My great desire to give the rest
of my life, if possible, entirely to scientific work,
has however overcome my reluctance to ask a
question, that might so easily be considered out
of place.

Should you be willing to
discuss this question, I ask you to believe that
I can make my competence absolutely clear.

Waiting your answer with
great interest

I remain

Yours very Truly

Wm. Brewster

~~Trans.~~ of letter to Dr. Djurberg.

1 September 1913.

Dear Sir,

I desire to thank you for so kindly sending the copy of your book on 'Melchior Neumann' which I am very pleased to have.

I am glad to know you enjoyed your visit to London and were interested in the Hist. Med. Museum

Again thanking you very cordially for your kind gift,

Faithfully yours,

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Pyralis

November 26th, 1909.

Dear Dr Djurberg,

I desire to thank you for your letter of the 15th inst., and for bringing the matter of the Historical Medical Exhibition before the Swedish Medical Society. I quite understand that the historical medical section does not itself hold any objects of Historical interest, but as you kindly promised, through their good offices, those who loaned such objects to your hundred years' Jubilee of last year, might be induced to lend them for the Historical Medical Exhibition, to be held in London in 1913.

I shall be glad to hear from you at a later date if you have obtained the promises of any loans, and also a description of the same, and I will then make arrangements with respect to their forwarding to London, all packing, insurance and carriage being at our expense.

Thanking you for the trouble you have taken in the matter and trusting that you are well,

I am,

Yours very truly,

Dr Djurberg,
Hornsgatan, 10
Stockholm.
SWEDEN.

DOKTOR V. DJURBERG
HORNSGATAN 10

RECD.
22 NOV 1909
ANS^d
25 NOV 1909

STOCKHOLM den 18 Nömb 1909

Dear Sir!

At ~~that~~ meeting of the
Section of History of medicine last 10th I brought the
matter of a Swedish taking part in your med. histo-
rical exhibition 1913 before the Sections Council.

The Topic in question
was remitted to our own exhibition committee in connec-
tion with the hundred years jubilee of the Swedish
medical Society last year.

It is not, as you suppose
in your letter of October 13th, that the Section itself
can loan you any objects of interest. The Section
has no collection at all of med. historical objects.
We can do no more than ~~that~~ recommend you
a certain number of objects, appropriate to be ex-
hibited, and communicate to you, where they are
kept up here in Sweden.

Do you wish that?

I am

Yours very truly
Vith Djurberg

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October 27. 09.

Dear Sir,

I desire to thank you for your kind letter of the 23rd inst., and have pleasure in enclosing you, under separate cover, some further copies of the syllabus of the Exhibition.

Since seeing you in Stockholm, last month, the date of the Historical Medical Exhibition has been fixed, and we hope to hold it in London, when the Meeting of the International Medical Congress takes place here in 1913.

Trusting you are quite well,

I am,

Yours faithfully,

Doktor V. Djurberg,
Hornsgatan 10,
Stockholm.

6 Copies sent.

DOKTOR V. DJURBERG
HORNSGATAN 10

RECd.
26 OCT 1909

STOCKHOLM den

23 Octob 1909

ANS^d
27 OCT 1909

W.T.

Dear Sir!

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of Octob. 13th and I have the honour to inform you, that I with much pleasure will bring the matter of your Historical Exhibition before the Section of History of Medicine at its meeting in the next month, after which I will send you a more detailed answer.

I should be much obliged to you, if you would have the kindness to send me before the Sections next meeting further five numbers of the Catalogue, containing the "Classification of Exhibits".

I am

Yours very truly

V. Djurberg

June 7th 1905.

Dear Sir,

By an oversight in sending off the packet of prospectuses to you on Monday last, the 5th inst. a packet of envelopes was enclosed in your parcel. I should be greatly obliged if you would kindly return them by an early post.

Apologising for the trouble I have put you to, and thanking you in anticipation,

I am,

Yours very truly,

Dr J. Djurberg,
10, Hornsgatan Södra,
Stockholm,
Sweden.

See letter for to Blomquist

June 3. 1905

Dear Sir,

Many thanks for your kind letter of the 28th ult., and for your kindness in sending me so much information respecting your friends in Sweden, who are likely to be of assistance in connection with the historical medical exhibition. I shall be most pleased to communicate with Mr Arwel Blomquist, as you suggest.

I hope to be able to have a representative collection of early objects of medicine connected with Norway and Sweden, but up to the present time I have not had any offers from those countries. Any assistance you could afford me in obtaining the loans of interesting articles connected with the practice of medicine or surgery of antient times I should greatly appreciate. Before the exhibition is held, I purpose approaching the Swedish Ambassador in London and asking his assistance.

I beg to send you under separate cover a batch of prospectuses as you request. I have not yet been able to definitely fix a date on which the exhibition will be held, as I am expecting objects from all over the world; it will not be for some months, but I will be sure to advise you in due course as soon as the date is definitely fixed.

Again, thanking you for your kind offer of assistance, and for the interest you have taken in the matter,

I am,

Yours very truly,

Doktor V. Djurberg,
Hornsgatan 10,
Stockholm.

STOCKHOLM den 28 maj 1905

Answered 4
2 JUN 1905
Dr Blomquist

Dear Sir!

In answer to your letter, London May 24th, I beg to inform you, that I have connected with one of my friends, the chemist Axel Blomquist Esq., president of the Swedish society of pharmacentists and librarian in the Swedish chemists association. He is much interested in your Historical Exhibition and of course most in Section 6 "Currencies of Pharmacy" etc. Under his care are among other things a part of the laboratory apparatus, used by the Swede Schoele, at once chemist and analytical chemist, who, as you already know, has discovered the oxygen. In the chemists associations library B. has also some old manuscripts and books about the Swedish Pharmacy. He should therefore like very much to have a letter from you and wishes to do all he can for taking part in the exhibition. His address is: Apoteket {chemists shop} St Erik, Fleminggatan 57, Stockholm.

As regards Section 2

"Rare and curious manuscripts, incunabula, books etc" they have many such things in our public libraries, for example the royal one and those, which are connected with the Royal medical and Chirurgical Institute in Stockholm and with the university in Uppsala. If you have the intention to get something from these places to the exhibition you must visit our ambassador in London, Baron Bildt. He is very interested in history and especially in that of ancient times culture, I believe. The first condition for lending such precious books to you is that the rooms for the exhibition are absolutely fireproof. That was the first they asked me about, when I some days ago after having received a letter from my sister with prospectus visited the royal library).

If no objects from Sweden should be exhibited, I have the intention to try, that a correspondent may be sent out to the exhibition, either from one of our greater daily newspapers or from one of our medical magazines.

You would therefore much oblige me by sending some prospectus and by giving me information as to the time, when the exhibition probably can be opened.

I hope that you shall have no difficulty to understand my letter though many expressions certainly are not quite english. I am yours very truly
H. Bjurberg

May 24th 1903.

Dear Sir,

Your sister, Miss E. Djarberg, has kindly written to me stating your willingness to give me some assistance at Sweden in forwarding me any relics you may know of or come across in connection with the early history of medicine.

I enclose you a prospectus of the historical medical exhibition which will give you an idea of its scope.

Every care will be taken of any article you may lend me, and I would insure it to any reasonable value you might place upon it.

Thanking you in anticipation for any objects that you may be able to forward me when the exhibition takes place,

I am,

Yours very truly,

Dr J. Djarberg,
10, Hornsgatan Södr,
Stockholm,
Sweden.