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Jan 6th 1914

Maxwell
YUNGCHUN,

VIA AMOY,

CHINA.

Dear Sir

I shall be delighted to present to you the parts of the exhibit I sent home which you desire to retain & if there are any other special articles from China which you want kindly let me know & if I come across them I will try & obtain them for you.

With kindest regards.

Yours very sincerely
J. Preston Maxwell
M.D. F.R.C.S.

C. J. S. Thompson Esq.

May 26th 14

YUNGCHUN,

VIA AMOY,

CHINA.

Dear Mr. Thompson

Some time back I had a letter from you dated Nov 19th asking about the objects which I sent to the Historical Medical Museum & I replied that I would be delighted to present what you liked to keep. In another letter dated Nov 28th this request was repeated but you added that you were returning the two opium pipes & the morphia syringes to my father "J. Maxwell, 31 Hammetton Road, Bromley, Kent". He writes me that he knows nothing about them. Were they sent or are you retaining

them? I shall be delighted if
they are in your possession & you
wish to keep them, but if they
have been sent off & have not
arrived I must try & trace them
With kind regards

Yours very sincerely
J. Preston Maxwell.
M.D. F.R.C.S.

On second thoughts I reenclose your letter
as it makes the matter clear.

MAXWELL, DR. PRESTON

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19 June 1914.

Dear Dr. Preston Maxwell,

In reply to your letter of the 26th ult. to hand this morning, I am afraid your reply to our original letter, in which you stated that you would so kindly present the objects which you sent to the Wellcome Historical Medical Museum, must have miscarried, as we can find no trace of its receipt.

When we sent you the duplicate of our letter of November 28th, as we had not heard from you, we noticed that at the foot of the original, form you filled in there was a note asking us to return the objects to your father at Bromley, Kent. We were awaiting your reply to ours of November 28th before doing so, and they have not yet been sent.

I much regret you have had so much trouble about them, but this you will see is owing to the missing letter.

I need hardly say we shall be most pleased to avail ourselves of your kind offer and preserve all the little objects in the Wellcome Historical Medical Museum, where they will be labelled as having been presented by you.

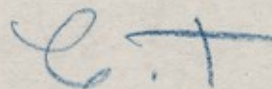
Our collection of objects connected with native medicine from China, in addition to the ones you so kindly sent, is a most interesting one, and has been much appreciated by all who have visited the Museum.

I trust that should you meet with anything else in the way of native instruments or objects connected with the art of healing, you will be good enough to acquire them for us and let me know.

Again thanking you very cordially on behalf of Mr Wellcome and with kind regards,

I am,

Faithfully yours,



J. Preston Maxwell Esq., M.D., F.R.C.S.,
Tungchun,
via Amoy,
China.