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Mr. Clarke.

re Mr. Rogerson, chemist, Bradford & Mr. Barnett's  
reply.

I think perhaps this matter had better rest awhile until Mr. Barnett visits Bradford again, when he might re-open the matter with respect to the small specie jars which I have already seen, and he might inquire from Mr. Rogerson what he would take for them, and after Mr. Barnett advises me, I could give the matter attention and see if they are worth it.

30 December 1916.

W.H.M.M.





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Dear Sir,

LONDON, E.C. 22nd December, 1916.

I send herewith the reply received from my firm's representative, in respect to the matter about which you wrote in Bradford. The correspondence explains itself.

Yours faithfully,  
H.S. Wellcome,

per

The Curator,  
The Wellcome Historical Medical Museum,  
54a, Wigmore Street,  
W.

EH.



Mr. May.

Is it possible for you to kindly get the enclosed order  
for me from the Gramophone Company, for a soldiers' home?

C.J.S.T.

12 December 1916.

W.H.M.M.

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H.D.

COOK'S BUILDING, HORNBY ROAD,

BOMBAY 4th December 1916.

Private & Confidential

Dear Sir,

I am in receipt of your letter of the 8th Ult, but before receiving the same, I received a letter from Dr Mall, a copy of which is attached hereto.

When I received Dr Mall's letter I had no instructions from Mr Wellcome concerning this matter, and I therefore cabled to London and they did not reply, as they evidently expected your letter would reach me about the time I cabled, but the steamer carrying your letter arrived exactly a week late.

Will you kindly assure Mr Wellcome that his instructions shall receive my best attention, and I am writing Dr Mall fully in the matter and as soon as I receive the consignments I shall advise you.

Yours faithfully,

*J. L. Horan*

C. J. Thompson Esquire,

The Wellcome Historical Medical Museum,  
London, W.



C/o the National Bank of India,

Amritsar.

23rd November 1916.

The Manager,  
Messrs Burroughs Wellcome & Co.  
Cooks Building,  
Bombay.

Dear Sir,

I am travelling in India on behalf of Messrs Burroughs & Wellcome collecting material for a comprehensive history of the ancient Medical Science in the East and daily original research work on the subject.

As I have lot of boxes(cases) containing MSS, and other objects of interest for the Historical Medical museum in London (B & W's) I am asked by our London Office to write to you for storing these cases. I have at present 10 to 15 medium size cases ready to despatch. They will remain in Bombay till the War is over. You are kindly to store them either at your godown, or wherever you think it suitable to do so.

They are above all, to be insured at once against the risk of fire.

May I send them to you? On hearing from you, I'll let you know the amount, etc. they would be insured for.

I remain, dear Sir,  
faithrully yours,

(Sd) P. Mall, M.D.



H.M.M.

Private and Confidential

8 November 1916.

Dear Sir,

At Mr. Wellcome's wish I am writing today to Dr. Mall who has been making researches in the Indian Empire for this Museum, and making purchases of ancient MSS. etc., and I am instructing him to write to you and arrange for the storage of all the cases of valuable MSS. and other objects he has acquired. When these are all congregated in Bombay, Mr. Wellcome's instructions are that they should be placed in fire-proof safe storage in the securest place you know of until after the war when they are to be shipped to London. Dr. Mall will furnish you with lists of contents and values, and inform you of the insurance he has placed upon them, as each case is to be insured against fire for its full value.

I should be glad to know as you receive the consignments from Dr. Mall as I have asked him to furnish me with a duplicate advice.

Thanking you in anticipation,

Faithfully yours, .

C.J.S.T.

J.L. Holden Esq.,  
Messrs. Burroughs Wellcome & Co.,  
Cook's Buildings, Hornby Row,  
Bombay.

Mr. C.J.S. Thompson.

Referring to your note to me dated 8th November 1916, we are today in receipt from the Bombay House of a deferred rate message despatched on the 27th inst., and reading:-

"HAVE YOU ANY REPRESENTATIVE HERE MALL MUSEUM SHALL WE STORE INSURE "

The letter you addressed to Mr. Holden on this subject was forwarded by mail leaving London on the 9th inst., and as I find that it should reach the Bombay House almost immediately following the despatch of the telegram, I am not answering the latter by wire but merely acknowledging it by memo and explaining the circumstances.

29th November 1916.  
MLP

*M.H.* M.A.



W. L.

re yours, Military Service.

We have only three men on the staff here of military age. Only one, Mr. Carline, can be placed in Class I. on your paper as totally rejected by an Army Medical Board. His card, No. W.3291 shows that he was examined by the Chelsea Recruits Medical Board on July 7th, 1916, and totally rejected for Army service.

Our other two men, Mr. Kidd and Stow have classification cards placing them in C.3. Mr. Kidd was discharged from the Middlesex Regiment eight months ago.

29 November 1916.

W.H.M.M.



Mr. Smith.

re enclosed letter from L.L.C.

I have made careful inquiries again from the men, and it seems that when the coke arrived on Monday morning last at 9.45, after filling the cellar and part of the boiler house, there were two sacks that could not come in. Stow went round to see if he could not put them at the side of our building underneath the hall, where we have stored overplus formerly, but he found about 30 tons there blocking up our windows, and there was no room whatever. He therefore put the contents of the two sacks between two dustbins under the iron spiral staircase by the boiler house door, and removed it at 11 o'clock on Wednesday morning. No one had spoken to him contrary to placing it there, but he tells me that the flat porter told Locke it should not be there, and Locke told him it should be removed.

I have just inspected the place underneath the hall, and find that the Law Land people have stored there from 20 to 30 tons of coke that reaches up to the floor of our hall. Bell's partition is also half full of coke, and mixed with it, and piled upon it are a number of big empty packing-cases. The whole thing wants the attention of the insurance people, as the wood and the coke at present there are a considerable risk in case of fire. Men stand down the mews smoking pipes and striking matches, and the whole thing might be set alight any time. I think it is a matter that wants urgent attention.

19 Oct. 1916.

W.H.M.M.



Urgent.

Mr. Leslie Moore.

Confirming our telephone message this morning re letter from Mr. Wellcome and silver coins from Sudan now in possession of Mr. Lane, Mr. Wellcome's instructions are:-

"Send as soon as possible in triplicate notes of the exact weight of the silver coins found in the Sudan, stated both in ounces and in grammes - also the current value of the silver stated per ounce and per gramme, and the totals of each of these calculations. These figures to be checked and signed by Mr. Leslie Moore or Mr. Scott. This will be required for official record."

Will you kindly let me have these details typed as soon as possible. The current value of the silver is contained in the report from Mr. Bristow of October 8th of which I have a copy.

11 October 1915.

W.H.M.M.



BURROUGHS WELLCOME & Co., LONDON

Date Oct 6.16

Re \_\_\_\_\_

Dear Sirs,

My dear Mr Thompson.

Your letter of the 28th  
ult is to hand. I was  
quite pleased to hear from  
you again.

I will most certainly  
make a special point of  
directing representatives atten-  
tion to the matter you  
mention. & doubtless it will  
result in some interesting  
articles being brought to  
your notice.

I should like, however,  
to assure you that the  
matter has not escaped  
the attention of the representatives.  
Indeed it is one very  
frequently mentioned. The  
fact is that they have  
the impression that so



# BURROUGHS WELLCOME & Co., LONDON

Date .....

Re .....

Dear Sirs,

Thorough has been the search, that there is really very little left of interest. In addition to this, the time of each interview is so much shorter now, chemists are short of staff. Calls are made necessarily during the time chemists are dispensing for Insurance patients and the general upheaval caused by the War, all tend to cut down available time.

I will however do the best I can & sincerely hope we may find something of value.

I am glad to say we are all well



# BURROUGHS WELLCOME & Co., LONDON

Date .....

Re .....

Dear Sirs,

at home & trust you  
are too. As for myself  
I live, as we all do,  
in strenuous times &  
every energy is needed  
for the work.

Sincerely yours,

F. Currys,



Wigmore Street

6 October 1916.

Dear Mr. Pearson,

The printer on the Museum staff has applied to me for the payment of a three shilling war bonus per week, which he says has been passed by the Printers' Union to which he belongs. On making inquiries from Mr. Leslie Moore, he tells me that this is correct, and he recommends that we should pay the printer that amount on his wages, to commence at the end of next week.

Faithfully yours,

C. J. S. T.



W.H.M.M

28 September 1916.

Dear Mr. Currie,

I have been spending a few days in Yorkshire, and during my visit to some of the old country towns I was able to find some interesting old objects in some of the chemists' shops.

For many years past, as you know, I have tried to get the firm's representatives interested in the Museum, especially in the Section of ancient Pharmacy, which they could do so much to recruit. Not long before Mr. Wellcome went abroad, he mentioned this subject to me again, and asked me to draft up a circular, calling the attention of the representatives to the matter. In conversation with Mr. Clarke the other day, he suggested that I should write to you as the best medium for putting the matter to them. To put it briefly, it is only this. When they go into a pharmacy, would they note any old bottles, specie jars, pieces of apparatus, mortars, or anything at all antique that may catch their eye, and just send me a line to the Museum of what it is on a post card. They need be put to no trouble at all, as I can take the matter up if the thing is worth having. The same would apply to doctors' surgeries. In many of the old



established chemists' shops in the Yorkshire towns, I noticed some of them have been re-modernised and re-fitted, and at such times the old stuff gets relegated to the lumber room or cellar, which the proprietor would be often only too glad to get rid of. I have taken up the case of a chemist's shop in Bradford, which I put through to Mr. Clarke, so you will probably hear of it.

It is a long time since I heard of you, and trust you are keeping well and fit, and your wife and family also.

Faithfully yours,



Curry

Mr. Clarke.

When in Bradford yesterday I ~~saw~~ just inside the entrance of Mr. Rogerson's shop, chemist, 18. Darley Street, two small specie jars, and there are also two more large ones in the windows of the top floor that looks like a lumber room. Mr. Rpgerson was away so I could get no definite information from the assistant. When you have a representative in Bradford, will you ask him to ascertain if he would be willing to part with either the two small ones that are at the top of the glass case inside the door-way, or one of the big ones up on the top floor. As the shop was established in 1834 I expect they may have a lot of old pharmaceutical appliances and things which they regard as lumber. With tact he may ascertain all this. They have recently re-modernised the entire shop front, so it is more than probable any old stuff they have will be of little use to them.

14 Sept. 1916.

W.H.M.M.



Mr. Bristow.

We find for a long time past we have not been receiving regularly the invoices of books purchased through your department. As we cannot make our Accessions Book complete without these, will you please see that invoices for every book purchased is forwarded to us. We shall be sending a list of those that are missing very shortly.

23 August 1916.

W.H.M.M.

54a Wigmore Street

24 August 1916.

Dear Mr. Pearson,

I am taking a week's holiday from Saturday next. Mr. Kidd, the secretary, (who has been quite satisfactory) will be in charge here while I am away.

Faithfully yours,

C.J.S.T.



54A Wigmore Street, W.

3 August 1915.

Dear Mr. Gray,

I am sorry to trouble you on your holidays, but it occurs to me that it would be best to write and ask you if there is anything special to be noticed about the insurance money, because I am unable to make it balance. It is just about the amount which would be short by not paying the weekly employer's contribution, or by putting aside the stamps for those cards which have not yet come in. As to the former, the cash balanced exactly as I told you. It is because of the possibility that the latter may be the cause of the deficit that I thought it best to write. Please do not trouble to answer if you have no suggestion ready. I will be particularly careful about it and go into the matter when you come back.

Yours faithfully, your



54A Wigmore St

8 July 1916.

Dear Mr. Pearson,

Mr. Welcome is desirous of having a cast of the white marble centre only of the Sudlow Memorial to be placed in the club at Dartford. He wished me to ask you if the sculptor could be approached by the Committee who gave him the commission for the work, to know if he would kindly supply a cast of the relief for this purpose. Probably if he is asked in this way, he will do so at a nominal charge as customary.

I shall be glad if you will kindly let me know, as failing this I will approach the sculptor in another way with a view to obtaining the required reproduction.

Faithfully yours,

C.J.S.T.



Mr C.J.S.Thompson,

re Censorship of Printed Matter for U.S.A.

I enclose herewith copy of note I have received from Mr. S.M.

On receipt we took up with the Postal Censor the question of newspaper cuttings and were informed that in the absence of special permission (to gain which there are many formalities to go through) doubtful matter is treated entirely at the discretion of the censor, and no information is given as to the disposal of packets stopped by the censor.

On Mr. Pearson's instructions I therefore held up the cuttings sent by you for inclusion in yesterday's mail to Mr. Wellcome and have written him for instructions.

7th July, 1916

M.D.

<sup>egs</sup>  
Copy for Mr Thompson.

Miss Maund  
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According to a report in the Board of Trade Journal dated 29th June, 1916, respecting the dispatch of printed matter, newspapers magazines, etc. to places abroad, it appears that printed matter (i.e. newspapers, magazines, books and other printed publications - other than trade circulars) will not be sent forward to neutral countries of America, or to European countries (except to the allied countries) after 1st July, unless such are posted direct from the office of the publishers or newsagents who have obtained permission from the War Office for this purpose.//

I am of opinion that this covers cuttings from newspapers and magazines as well as the newspapers and magazines themselves and, therefore, it appears that cuttings cannot be sent to Mr Wellcome while he is in the U.S.A.

Kindly note.

5th July, 1916.

S.M.

9161



Mr C.J.S. Thompson  
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Extract from letter from Mr Wellcome from New York, June  
13th, 1916 :-

"Please ask Mr C.J. Thompson to make a collection for me of  
"the best editorials and articles on Lord Kitchener's death and  
"life work. These from the daily, weekly and monthly periodicals  
"should be collected for the library and brought to my notice on  
"my return to London."  
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The newspaper cuttings received from you were duly dispatched  
to Mr Wellcome.

28th June, 1916.

h. M.D.  
*SR*

Mr. Smith.

With respect to the acquisition of the latters patent to Brockedon I would suggest that the best means would be to put an advertisement in the "Law Times" or "The Journal of Patent Agents" , if they have one. It appears to me to be of little use advertising in any of the ordinary dailies for such a document.

I should think myself that there is very little chance of obtaining it if it was issued in 1843.

On the specification, of which I believe there is a copy at Snow Hill, there may be the name of the agent or solicitor to Brockedon; if that is so the firm might be traced and something might be done in that way.

I am returning the papers to you herewith.

June 9th, 1916.

W. H. M. M.



Wigmore St.

16 May 1916.

Dear Mr. Pearson,

In reply to your letter of the 15th inst. I selected an applicant for the post of secretary on Saturday last, and arranged for the supervising accountant to see him here this morning, which he is doing. I think he is likely to prove satisfactory in every way.

Faithfully yours,

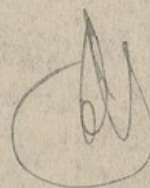
C.J.S.T.

Mr C.J.S. Thompson  
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I return herewith the papers relating to Mr Arthur J. Farmer of 70, Carlton Vale, Maida Vale, N.W., including the two references which you obtained.

I understand that for the moment the matter of the inspector of Mr Wellcome's warehouses is in abeyance as you can arrange for Bourne to inspect each of them three times a week.

25th March 1916



S.M.



Wigmore St.

25 May 1916.

Dear Mr. Pearson,

With reference to letter enclosed,  
Mr. Wellcome suggests that you should  
write to W. Langley Browne as soon as  
possible informing him that the sign-  
board is of no interest to you. We  
may be able to switch him off our track.

Faithfully yours,

C.J.S.T.



Wigmore Street.

27 March 1916.

Dear Mr. Pearson,

About a fortnight ago Dr. Moses wrote to me asking for an appointment with Mr. Wellcome re supply of dressing requirements in connection with troops in Mesopotamia. Mr. Wellcome asked me to write to him and say he was unwell and away, but that any letter would be forwarded to him. I received the enclosed this morning, in which Dr. Moses probably states what he requires.

Our night-watchman reports this morning that one of the electric lights was left on all night in the Exhibition Room, 54 Wigmore Street on Saturday night.

Faithfully yours,

C.J.S.T.



Mr. Smith.

Mr. Wellcome desired me on Saturday to send you the enclosed articles:

one silver bead necklace.  
2 small gold chain necklaces.  
1 whalebone and gold mounted bangle.

These are to be kept for him.

20 March 1916.

W.H.M.M.

Mr. Gray.

I am sending herewith the books of the H.M.M. I am sorry not to have been able to get them off before, but it is important that the March entries of the S.P.B. should not get too far behind and we are still having a good many. Those entries in the same book which I have marked with a pencil cross together make up £134. 8s. This is made up of £130. borrowed from Snow Hill and paid back by a single cheque as per cash book, and £4. 8s. repaid to the cash box by a cheque for 5 guineas drawn in March, (for which also see cash book.

Against an item of 17/- in the February entries S.P.B., I have placed a ring. This was repaid to the cash box by the same March cheque which is thus completely accounted for (£4. 8s. + 17s. = 5 guineas). Therefore the amount of S.P.B. expenditure for February is made up of entries in cash book + P.C.B. + £5. 5s.

I thought it well this time to send you the Paying-in book in order that you might check those amounts returned in February which had not been paid in when you were here.

With regard to the voucher for Tripp which you asked for, I have a note of it, but as I told you, it will take time to obtain. All Tripp's bills are made out to Irish & Co., and consequently letters from him take longer to reach me, but I will send you on a detailed account giving details as soon as it comes to me. Meanwhile



you have Mr. Thompson's signature for the payment.

Please let me have the P.C.B. and Cash book back on Friday, but there is no particular hurry for the S.P.B. if you would like to keep that longer. I will take signatures for money paid on a separate paper, and get them re-signed when the book comes back.

14 March 1916.

W.H.M.M.

Mr. Smith.

We have a large trunk, sealed, which Mr. Wellcome wishes you to have stored for him at Shoolbred's in their strong room with his other things, but it is to be recorded as 'the sealed box belonging to Mrs. Mounteney Jephson.' Will you please send a cart here as early as possible to have it taken to Shoolbred's.

8 March 1916.

W.H.M.M.



Mr. Smith.

Re my 'phone message on Saturday, will you please send the pharmacy jars on top of the wardrobe in Mr. Wellcome's room up to the Museum (very carefully and safely packed) at the first opportunity

13 March 1916.

W.H.M.M.

Wigmore Street.

1 March 1916.

Dear Mr. Pearson,

Mr. Wellcome has asked me to call your attention to the erroneous way in which many envelopes are addressed to us at the Museum. I enclose you an example received today, which instead of being addressed to the Secretary, W.H.M.M., 54a Wigmore Street, is directed entirely wrong to Messrs. Burroughs Wellcome & Co., H.M.M., Basley Mews.

The original regulation was that all communications, except private ones, were to be addressed to the Curator, or the Secretary, W.H.M.M., 54A Wigmore Street, and Mr. Wellcome would like to have the matter looked into, and stringent instructions issued.

Faithfully yours,

C.J.S.T.



Mr. Pearson

Mr. Wellcome would like 2 copies of the model letter which you were sending to the 'Lancet', and other papers, on the growing of medicinal plants, as he is often spoken to about this and would like to show what is being done. He would also like 2 copies of the illustrated booklet of the Medicinal Farm. Will you please have these sent to the Welbeck Palace Hotel.

M.A.B.

Feb. 18th. 1916.

W.H.M.M.

Mr. Pearson.

Mr. Wellcome wishes your attention to be called to the  
articled 'British Trade and Applied Science' in the 'Daily  
Telegraph' for February 5th which I enclose herewith.

C.J.S.T.

7 February 1916.

W.H.M.M.



M Y.

I am returning herewith the copy of 'The Arabian Night' which was got for Mr. Wellcome as it is not the right edition. The one he requires is that illustrated by Heath Robinson, Stratton and others, but a more expensive edition in quarto size, and published as I understand by Newnes by arrangement with Constable. I suppose the price will be two or three times as much as that of the copy I am returning. Will you please put this in hand at once and let me know if there are any difficulties connected with it.

A.E.H.S.

28 January 1916.

W.H.M.M.

Mr. Pearson

I am sending herewith at Mr. Wellcome's request 'The Observer' for January 2nd containing an article on 'Science and Industry' on page 15, and also 'The Observer' for January 9th with an article in it on the same subject on page 14.

C.J.S.T..

27 January 1916.

W.H.M.M.



M Y.

Re 'The Happy Phrase', requisition 23049.

Since you discovered from 'The Evening News' that this book cannot be obtained at present in London, I think the best thing to do would be to leave the order with Simpkin Marshall so that they may obtain it for us from America. If however they are not able to do this, please obtain it from America direct. Unless it is absolutely impossible to get it the order should not be cancelled as it was one that Mr. Wellcome himself asked me to requisition.

A.E.H.S.

26 January 1916.

W.H.M.M.

Mr. Smith

Attached are the final notes received from Dr. Hilburgh with respect to his proposed book giving us the number of words and the number of pages of printed text it will occupy.

I am sending the key of the Sudan wages box herewith.

12 February 1916.

W.H.M.M.



Mr. Smith.

I send herewith two keys. The one in the envelope marked 1 Mr. Wellcome wishes you to have attached to a brass disc stamped 'S.F.' and a numbers he suggests beginning at 100, and returned to me here. No. 2 also is to have a brass disc and proper number, and the discs are to have strong connecting links for attaching to key chain.

29 January 1916.

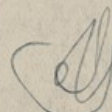
W.H.M.M.

Mr. C.J.S. Thompson  
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This is to acknowledge receipt of the electro gilded medallion which was struck to commemorate the Prince of Wales being elected G.M. 1790 -

The medallion has been placed in tin box No W 1A, in Mr. Wellcome's enclosure, Strong-room, sub-basement, 67 H.V.

28th January 1916



S.M.



Mr. Smith.

I am sending herewith a coin electro gilded to commemorate the Prince of Wales being elected G.M. 1790. Mr. Wellcome wants you to record this and put it in the safe for him. Please also acknowledge its receipt to me in a note so that I may place it in my records.

C.J.S.T.

26 January 1916.

W.H.M.M.

Buying Department.

Mr. Wellcome wishes me to requisition a book which was written some time ago by Lord Haldane, with an introduction by Sir Ian Hamilton on the subject of our relations with Germany. Would you please get Simpkin, Marshall to try to trace this so that I can issue a requisition. Mr. Wellcome also wishes me to point out that you promised the 'Arabian Nights' as ordered by requisition A. 23060, you promised this not later than the 22nd. inst. He is anxious to have this as soon as possible and made a special point of my trying to hurry it.

I notice that a good many invoices for books which Mr. Wellcome has ordered have gone to Miss Maund before coming to me. Perhaps it would be as well if you would explain to the department concerned as just now he is ordering a good many through the W.H.M.M., which are of course marked 'H.S.W. Personal.'

A.E.H.S.

January 26th, 1916.

W.H.M.M.





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SNOW HILL BUILDINGS,

BUYING DEPARTMENT

LONDON, E.C. 25th January, 1916.

Dear Sir,

I am still waiting for your instructions re "The Happy Phrase" which I informed you in my memo of the 12th inst. that I was unable to obtain.

Yours faithfully,  
H. S. Wellcome,  
per

The Secretary,  
Wellcome Historical Medical Museum,  
54a, Wigmore Street, W.

Snow Hill Buildings,

E.C.

Ref. W.L.

24th January 1916

Dear Sir,

re Army Reserve "B"

I enclose herewith a list of questions to which I am required to give answers. Please supply the necessary information with regard to employees at the W.H.M.M.

You may have men attest now that the groups have re-opened. You should advise me of any such attestations giving the particulars on their attestation cards, and also, if the man is not badged, particulars of any proposed claim for postponement.

Please let me have your reply in regard to the men now attested as well as other present employees not later than Tuesday, January 25th, as it may be required for an interview with the military representative for the City of London.

Yours faithfully,

Henry S. Wellcome

per 

The Curator.  
The Wellcome Historical Medical Museum,  
54a Wigmore Street,  
W.



Mr. Pearson.

Mr. Wellcome wishes me to call your attention to the following:-

An article on 'Science and Industry' by Prof. H.E. Armstrong in 'The Observer' for January 16th on page 14 sent herewith.

An article on 'Sir George Pragnell on Trade after the War' in 'The Observer' for January 23rd on page 13 sent herewith.

An article on 'Universities and Science' in 'The Observer' for January 23rd on page 5 sent herewith.

An article on 'New First Field Dressing' in 'The Daily Express' for January 22nd on page 6 sent herewith.

An article on 'Demand for British Dyes' in 'The Times' for January 22nd, page 5, column 2.

24 January 1916.

W.H.M.M.

January 20th, 1916.

Ferguson's Speculum.

Fleetwood Churchill 'Diseases of Women' Ed. I (1835) no mention of speculum.

Ibid. Ed. 3 (1850) "Dr. Fergusson has greatly improved" &c.

Ibid. Ed. 4 (1857) "Mr. Ferguson has greatly improved" &c.

Thomas Mitchell "Practical Remarks on the Use of the Speculum "  
Dublin, 1849 "Besides this there are plain Glass conical  
specula, glass coated on the inside with caoutchouc" &c. no  
further note and no name, either Ferguson or Fergusson.

Robert Lee. A Treatise on the Employment of the Speculum 1858. No  
reference to Ferguson or Fergusson.





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M.R.

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BUYING DEPARTMENT

LONDON, E.C. 12th January, 1916.

Dear Sir,

Re "The Happy Phrase" Requisition 23049.

We have been in communication with the  
Evening News who inform us that the Publishers of the  
above are:-

Messrs. G. P. Putman & Sons,  
24, Bedford Street,  
Strand, W.C.

who state that no copies are to be had in London at  
present, and they have, therefore, cancelled your order.

Please let us have your instructions.

Yours faithfully,

Burroughs Wellcome & Co.,

per

The Secretary,  
Wellcome Historical Medical Museum,  
54a, Wigmore Street, W.

EJ

M.R. B.D.

In reply to your note of the 1st inst. with reference to the "Happy Phrase", I have no information beyond that conveyed on my requisition A23049. The Evening News as I have there mentioned, does not mention the publisher in its review on 8. 12. 15, but I should suggest application to the office of the paper where they may retain a copy. Please advise me further about this as Mr. Wellcome himself ordered the book.

4 Jan. 1916.

W.H.M.M.



Mr. Warden.

Many thanks for the specification and all the trouble you have taken respecting the tracing of Ribright's patent case. It clears up the matter and explains this somewhat mysterious instrument to us.

7 January 1916.

W.H.M.M.

Mr. Pearson.

Mr. Wellcome desires me to send you the enclosed copy of the 'Evening News' and to draw your attention to the article on Aspirin marked on page 5.

January 5th. 1916.

W.H.M.M.





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SNOW HILL BUILDINGS,

BUYING DEPARTMENT

LONDON, E.C. 1st January, 1916.

Dear Sir,

Simpkin, Marshall, Hamilton, Kent & Co., inform us that "The Happy Phrase: a handbook of Expression for the Enrichment of Conversation, Writing, and Public Speaking", your requisition No. 23049 is probably published in America, and they are unable to get into touch with the publishers. Do you know whether this is published in England? If this is the case the suppliers will be able to obtain it for us.

Yours faithfully,

The Secretary,  
Wellcome Historical Medical Museum,  
54a, Wigmore Street, W.

H. S. Wellcome,  
per

Mr. Warden.

We have a curious optical instrument in the Museum which I am unable to identify. It is cylindrical like a telescope about six inches long, and bears the inscription:- "R.I. Bright, Optician, Fecit, London. By ye King's Royal Patent." It bears no date, but I should think was of the last twenty-five years of the 18th century or early 19th. Some time when you are at the Patent Office would you look it up for us, and let me know the name of it and what it was used for.

28 December 1915.

W.H.M.M.



Mr. Dowdeswell.

At Mr. Wellcome's request I am sending into the Exhibition Room a case inlaid with mother-of-pearl, which Mr. Wellcome wants putting into one of the glass cases with your medicine cases on view. It is not to be used, and if anybody asks the price they can be told it is £25. Will you please instruct your assistants accordingly.

21 December 1915.

W.H.M.M.

Mr. Pearson.

Mr. Wellcome has asked me to mention to you with respect to the objects and MSS. that Dr. Mall is buying for the Museum in India that these according to our instructions are being stored at the Mercantile Bank of Bombay, but we do not know if they are in a place of safe storage, or what responsibility the bank takes for holding them. Mr. Wellcome suggests that perhaps it could be ascertained through some agents of the firm in Bombay how and where the objects are stored, and if they are in a place of safety, especially from fire, as they will probably not be shipped to this country until after the war. Will you please let me know if this could be done?

10 December 1915.

W.H.M.M.



Mr. C.J.S. Thompson  
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Your memo of 28th October 1915.

Montreal have replied with regard to the matter referred to  
in your above memo, and for your information I attach a copy of their reply.  
Please let me know if you desire anything further to be done  
in this matter.

Enclos.

25th November 1915.

MA.

EK

Copy of memo received from B.W.& Co. Milan, dated 18th Nov. 1915  
ref. No.1787-9 re H.M.M.

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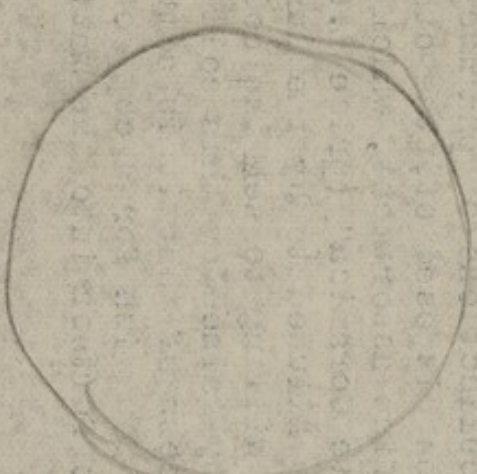
"We instructed one of our representatives who happened to be recently in Genoa to go into the matter dealt with in yours of above date and he now reports that there are two pharmacies in the district referred to possessing collections of pharmacy vases. In one of these the collection has already been disposed of, the other (Farmacia Montini) still has an exceptionally fine assortment, which are dealt with in a publication entitled "L'Arte Ceramica" (price L.6:-). The Farmacia Montini, if this is the pharmacy alluded to by the Curator of the H.M.M., would in all probability be willing to sell the collection, but only at fancy prices, as the publicity gained by this collection has invested it with a value probably in excess of what it is actually worth.

Should you wish for a copy of the abovementioned publication or desire us to go further into the matter, please let us know.

EM



U. S. DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE  
BUREAU OF PLANT INDUSTRY  
WASHINGTON, D. C.



Mr. Makepeace.

Re your memo of Nov. 25th referring to  
old Pharmacy Vases in Genoa.

The Pharmacy in which I saw these is probably the one which has already been disposed of, as it was not the Farmacia Montini.

Mr. Wellcome would like you to instruct the Milan depot to procure us a copy of the publication 'L'arte Ceramica' (price L.6) for the Museum, and send it addressed to the Curator, W.H.M.M.

Will you please also instruct the Manager of the Milan depot to ask all representatives in Italy to make a note of any old vases, mortars, or ancient apparatus they may notice in the Pharmacies in Italy, and report the same to me, giving a full description, and stating if the owners are willing to sell and the price if possible.

29 December 1915.

W.H.M.M.



Mr. Makepeace.

Referring to your note of Nov. 5th, Mr. Wellcome cancels the request to the New York ~~depot~~ for the purchase of the back copies of the New York World, but he asks you to tell the manager to look out for any special exposures that may appear in this newspaper, and to purchase the papers at the time and forward them on to him.

11 Nov. 1915.

W.H.M.M.

Mr. C. J. S. Thompson

In reply to your note of the 30th September last relative to copies of the "New York World" containing the exposure of the intrigues in the German ambassador's office in the U.S.A. and the "New York World" for September 18th containing the Zeppelin commander's narrative written by Karl von Wiegand of "How I bombed London", the New York house advise that it is not possible to obtain newspapers direct from the publishing houses after about one week subsequent to the date of issue.

The "New York World" therefore of August 16, 17, 18 and 19 is only obtainable from the news agencies, and their system is to add 25 cents to the price of the paper for every month that has elapsed since the date of issue.

At the present time we would have to pay 50 cents a copy and by the time New York receive our reply it would be necessary to pay 75 cents per copy.

Before paying this price for the newspapers New York desire to receive our confirmation.

5th November 1915.

BW.

*Not confirm  
but on look out  
for any special  
exposures. Perhaps  
the N.Y. World found  
it to mention*

*M.A.*



54a: M Wigmore Street

1 November 1915.

Dear Mr. Pearson,

I am greatly obliged to you for the photograph of the zeppelin taken from Hampstead Heath, September 1915. It is extraordinarily good, and realises to a remarkable degree the effects as I saw them.

I should be very glad if you would get Miss Maund or Mr. Lane to procure for me two dozen of these, and if possible, one of a larger size.

With renewed thenka,

Yours sincerely,

Henry S. Wellcome.

Mr. Makepeace.

Some three or four years ago, one of the firm's representatives informed me of some very fine large savona pharmacy jars in a pharmacy shop in Genoa, which was in a street leading from the Central Square to the harbour. The proprietor was an old man who was rarely there, but I forget his name. I understood he was a good customer of the firm's and friendly, and at first he offered to lend us the jars for the Museum, but afterwards, he was nervous about their being broken in transit.

What I want to know is, if the pharmacy and the jars are still there, and if so the representative in that district could keep his eye upon them in case by any chance the owner might consent to sell. If you cannot help me in locating these, will you kindly pass a copy of this note on to Mr. Bauman in Milan, and ask him to take the matter up by Mr. Wellcome's wish.

28 October 1915.

W.H.M.M.



Mr. Makepeace.

Will you please request Mr. Nevin of the New York depot to obtain copies of the "New York World" containing the exposure of the Intrigues in the German ambassador's office in the United States. He believes they appeared in the "New York World" about August 16th, 17th, 18th and 19th in a series of three or four articles published in full.

He also wants a copy of the "New York World" for September 18th containing the zeppelin commander's narrative written by Karl von Wiegand of "How I bombed London."

Please send these copies to the Museum as soon as they arrive.

30 September 1915.

W.H.M.M.

M R.

With reference to the enclosed letter from Messrs. Williams and Norgate Mr. Thompson instructs me to say that he wishes an order to be placed for the large treatise which they mention. In view of the fact that this is not yet published I think it would be best for you to place an order and let me issue a requisition when we have the book. This saves the difficulty of title etc. which we do not know, and it is already my practice for example in the case of Murray's Dictionary.

A.E.H.S.

6 Sept. 1915.

W.H.M.M.



Mr. Makepeace.

Mr. Wellcome wishes you to write to Mr. Nevin of the New York depot to procure for him a copy of a book published by the Grolier Club, the title of which he thinks is "The Book of Knowledge for Children." When a copy is obtained, will you please forward to the Museum?

29 September 1915.

W.H.M.M.

Wigmore Street

23 September 1915.

Dear Mr. Pearson,

Mr. Wellcome has asked me to call your attention to a paragraph on page 7 of the special Russian supplement of 'The Times' for Sept. 18th re Russian Trade Directory.

Mr. Wellcome would like you to call Mr. Linstead's attention to it, and he suggests that an effective advertisement of the firm should be inserted in this publication.

Faithfully yours,

C.J.S.T.



Mr. Bristow.

Please have the following inscription stamped on the binocular case sent herewith, where lines have been placed on the front. The letters are to be in blind stamps; the name in  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch "san seraf" caps. type, and the motto in letters half that size:-

O.G.S. Crawford.

"Forewarned is to be Forearmed."

This is urgently required for Mr. Wellcome.

13 August 1915.

W.H.M.M.

Wigmore Street

17 August 1915.

Dear Mr. Pearson,

Enclosed letter will explain itself. Dr. Purdy is a man of considerable ability and efficiency, and I would like to do anything that is practicable to carry out his wishes. Will you kindly see what can be done in this way, and in any case I think it would be desirable to send out such specimens by Mrs. Purdy as he suggests.

I read his address as "Cleopatra, Egypt". Would you also kindly have a suitable letter written to him in regard to the matter?

I am,

Yours truly,

Henry S. Wellcome.

per pro



Pearson.

Mr. Clarke.

re yours of the 7th inst.

Will you kindly inform the representative that we should have been very pleased to have accepted the copy of the Pharmacopoeia Londonensis 1809, but, while thanking him for his kind offer, we already have a copy in the Library.

10 May 1915.

W.H.M.M.



Mr. Clarke.

Will you please thank the representative for the old arrowroot label which he has kindly sent to the W.H.M.M. It is a very interesting specimen and we are glad to add it to our collection of old chemists labels. Please tell him that I think the particulars he has so kindly furnished us with are quite sufficient for our purpose.

8 July 1915.

W.H.M.M.



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SNOW HILL BUILDINGS,

LONDON, E.C.

7th May, 1915.

Dear Sir,

I give below copy of a letter I have received from one of my representatives, and I shall be glad to know how you wish the matter dealt with.

### "Pharmacopoeia Londonensis 1809"

"I have been presented with a copy of this publication, and thought it might possibly be of interest at the H.M.E. The book is in good condition but unfortunately a translation has been inserted between the lines of the letterpress throughout the greater part of the book, and many marginal notes inserted, in addition to pages of prescriptions, etc. If you consider it of any value I shall be very pleased to send it forward."

Yours faithfully,  
H. S. Wellcome,

per

The Curator,  
The Historical Medical Museum,  
54a, Wigmore Street,  
W.

EH.



Mr. C. J. S. Thompson.

I am returning by same messenger the two photographic albums which you sent me yesterday. I also enclose package which has arrived for you from Mr. Wellcome.

Herewith are two leaden bullets which have been taken from the centre of a lump of opium at the Works. These may be of interest for the Historical Medical Museum as an instance of the adulteration of opium.

29th April, 1915.  
RH

M.D.

Miss Maund.

The packet from Mr, Wellcome and the two leaden bullets from the Works just to hand. Will you kindly inquire for us where the opium came from; if it was Indian, Persian, or Turkish, as it would be interesting to add this to our label.

29 April 1915.

W.H.M.M.



Mr. Pearson.

Herewith I am enclosing the card from Prof. Garstang about which I 'phoned to you this morning.

A.E.H.S.

6 April 1915.

W.H.M.M.

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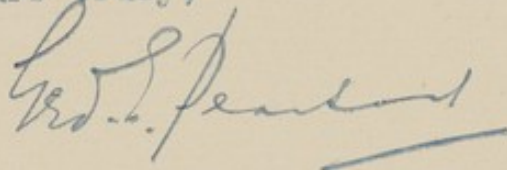
23rd March, 1915

Dear Mr. Thompson,

With reference to your letter of the 22nd inst., I am glad you have brought under my notice the confusion of deliveries of letters etc. to the H.M.M. and to the Exhibition Room. Unfortunately there have been several changes in the Mail Office staff lately and they have not dealt with papers intended for the two addresses as intelligently as they should have done.

Instructions have now been given which I hope will prevent further papers going astray.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'H. S. Pearson', with a horizontal line drawn underneath the name.

Mr. C.J.S. Thompson



Wigmore St.

19 April 1915.

Dear Mr. Pearson,

I enclose herewith a postcard  
received from Professor Garstang on  
Saturday afternoon.

I am,

Faithfully yours,

C.J.S.T.

54A Wigmore St.

31 March 1915.

Dear Mr. Pearson,

The enclosed postcard just received from Professor Garstang's secretary evidently refers to the expenses in connection with the things sent to him to Carcassonne, so I am sending it to you herewith to deal with.

Faithfully yours,

C.J.S.T.



54A Wigmore St.

22 March 1915.

Dear Mr. Pearson,

For some time past letters and papers addressed to the Exhibition Room have been delivered at the Museum in our envelopes addressed to 'the Curator, The Wellcome Historical Medical Museum', and several of our letters have gone to the Exhibition Room.

Although it is only a small matter, several times it has caused considerable delay in replying to communications, and I complained to the clerk in charge of the Mail Office some time ago, but it still goes on. This morning, in the envelope I enclose, there were two letters addressed to Mr. Lloyd, Exhibition Room, a note from the Home Dept., Exhibition Room, and a letter concerning the regulations of the Price List, all of which we have had to send in to them. I should be glad if something could be done to put a stop to it, as it has occasioned us continual trouble.

I am,

Faithfully yours,

C.J.S.T.

Mr. Pearson

Mr. Wellcome wishes me to call your attention to this article on "Drugs from Africa". When you have finished with it will you please send it on to Dr. Jowett.

C.J.S.T.

Feb. 18th. 1916.

W.H.M.M.