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Blue S.H.B.

7th March 1911.

Dear Sir,

I desire to thank you for your letter (1624/11) of the 3rd inst., and for the permission so kindly granted me to have a plaster cast made from the bas-relief on the pedestal of the statue of Lord Herbert of Lea.

I will communicate the substance of your letter to Messrs. Brucciani, the British Museum modellers, who will put the matter in hand, and who will, I feel sure, carry it out without any risk to the bronze.

Thanking you very cordially for your kindness, and the trouble you have taken in the matter,

Yrs,

Yours very truly,

H.S.W.

The Secretary,
H.M. Office of Works, etc.,
Westminster, S.W.

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The Secretary of His Majesty's Office of Works
and Public Buildings begs leave to acknowledge the receipt of
Mr Wellcome's communication
of *yesterday's date,* which shall be
laid before the First Commissioner.

H.M. OFFICE OF WORKS, &C.,

STOREY'S GATE,

WESTMINSTER, S.W.

10 Feb 1911

B.W. & Co.

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9th February 1911.

Dear Sir,

I am organizing an Exhibition illustrating the history of medicine, surgery, nursing, etc., to be held in London in connection with the meeting of the International Medical Congress in 1913.

In connection with this I should be glad to know if I may have permission to have a plaster cast made from the bas-relief representing the late Miss Florence Nightingale assisting wounded soldiers, that ornaments the pedestal of Mr. Herbert's statue, which stands at present, I believe, in one of the court-yards of the War Office.

The firm I should employ to do the work are Messrs. Brucciani, the well-known modellers to the British Museum, who could be safely entrusted to carry out the work in a satisfactory manner, and without any possible risk of damage to the original.

Trusting you will give my application your favourable consideration, and thanking you in anticipation of an early reply,

I am,

Yours very truly,

H.S.W.

The Secretary,
His Majesty's Office of Works,
Storey's Gate, S.W.

6.2.11.

Note from Mr. Dowdeswell.

Mr. Dowdeswell has made many enquiries from various officials with respect to the bas-relief on the pedestal of Sidney Herbert, and he has been referred from one to the other. On Saturday he saw an important official at His Majesty's Office of Works, and here again it was suggested that the Firm should write to the Secretary of State for War. Upon Mr. Dowdeswell's suggesting to this official that all monuments came under the supervision of His Majesty's Office of Works, he said, "Yes, I suppose they do. The best thing for you to do is to write and put your request plainly before the Secretary of His Majesty's Office of Works, Storey's Gate, St. James Park, S.W." Mr. Dowdeswell said, "Well, of course, for such a request as this we naturally felt that a little introduction would be helpful," ~~then~~ to which he was given this reply, "Well, you see, if it were a small firm in all probability the request would be shelved; but Burroughs Wellcome & Co. are so well-known to every important official that if the request can possibly be granted, it will be." A suggestion was made that a trouble that might arise was as to whether the architect would have a voice in such a permission being given, in which case, of course, he would have to be consulted. In fact, there would probably be other points to which consideration would have to be given, but he was quite certain that the best thing to do would be to write direct to the first named official.