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Montreal, 2nd June, 1943.

Mr. Richard C. Gill,
Care of Henry Holt & Co.,
257 Fourth Ave.,
New York, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Gill:

I have recently read, with a great deal of interest and profit, your book "White Water and Black Magic." I believe that your work with Curare has been a great contribution to modern medicine, and that uses will be found for this drug of which you never dreamed.

I enclose a reprint of an article of mine which I think will be of interest to you, and also a copy of another paper which I recently delivered and which will be published soon in the Canadian Medical Association Journal.

The more experience we have with Curare in anesthesia the more enthusiastic we become about it. We have had no harmful effect on any of our patients, and with the facilities which we have in the modern operating room for the control of respiration I believe that we are using curare under conditions which are ideally safe. It seems to me that curare may become even more valuable to the anesthetist than to the neurologist, since the problem of prolonging the transient action of this drug in the treatment of spastic disease is one which seems to present very difficult obstacles.

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I would be very glad to hear of any further work which you have been able to do with curare. I should like to express also the great appreciation of our surgeons, anesthetists, and patients for the very useful work which you have done in making this new drug available to us.

Sincerely yours,