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To Dr. Flick from Mr. Clark Bell.

Medico-Legal Society, New York City,
Jan. 29, 1900.

Dear Sir and Colleague:

I shall within a few days send you: (1) the preliminary announcement and programme of the Congress of Tuberculosis to be held under the auspices of the Medico-Legal Society on the 21st of February proximo, and (2) galley-proofs of the opening paper by Prof. Thomas Bassett Keyes, on topic No. 2 specified in our original announcement, and the opening paper of Dr. J. Mount Bleyer, on topic No. 1, to enable you to prepare, for the discussion of those subjects, in advance of the session.

I venture to make also the suggestion that you send me in advance a copy of your proposed paper, so that it can be put into type and sent in advance to such members of the Congress as you desire, or wish to have discuss it. This plan will surely bring out a much more extended discussion and in every way a more valuable one. It was said at the last meeting of the society by a very thoughtful student of the science that the carefully prepared discussion of the papers are sometimes more valuable contributions to the subject than the papers themselves.

The committee have arranged to publish immediately for such of the authors as desire copies of their papers to go into "Bulletin of the Congress" at a cost of \$1.00 per page for small pica and \$1.50 for small type, and if you wish to avail yourself of this please advise me at once and send on your paper. You will be entitled to 50 reprints free, and the right to have additional reprints at the mere cost of paper and press-work, if wanted in advance.

It is thought more desirable that the opening paper on each topic be sent to members for discussion, and if you wish any copies sent to special persons, kindly give me their names and addresses.

An enrolling fee of \$3.00 has been decided upon, which will entitle the member to the published Transactions free, and a copy of the Bulletin, if sufficient contributions are made to insure its publication. It is hoped that you will send a copy of your paper as early as possible so as to forward the publication of the "Bulletin of the Congress", in case that you wish it submitted to a selected few before the session to insure its careful discussion.

Every indication points to a large and increasing interest in the Congress; and it is only by printing our papers in advance that we can get through with the work already announced and promised.

Those members of the Congress who have not already indicated upon which of the topics they desire to speak or write will please do so at an early date as possible; and if a new title is to be submitted the Committee would be glad to be furnished with the same as early as convenient, so as to enable them to properly classify and arrange the programme.

I would be obliged also if you would forward me a good photograph of yourself as it may be thought advisable to illustrate the Bulletin with reproductions of some prominent members and officers.

Hoping to have an early response as possible, I remain, in behalf of the Committee,

Very faithfully yours,

Clark Bell.

P.S. Please send me at once the paper on "Regulation of Tuberculosis" so that it can go in type at once and go out to invite discussion. If you wish to see the opening papers on the other themes in advance of your preparation of your views on themes 1 to 5, advise me early.

Dr. Lawrence F. Flick.