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To Dr. Trudeau from Dr. Flick.

Philadelphia,
April 12, 1904.

My dear Dr. Trudeau:

Your letter of 10th inst. to hand. At the request of Dr. Welch I have drafted a constitution and by-laws for the new society and have sent each of them a copy. I herewith enclose you a copy. As you see, I have placed the government of the new Society in the hands of a few and have made the corporation rather a close one. In my judgment this is the only way in which good work can be done but if others think differently I shall be very glad to adopt any system that may be agreeable to others.

You need not have any misgivings about your ability and strength to take the presidency of the organization. We need your reputation and name to give standing to the new organization and we can very readily relieve you of the burdens which sometimes go with the executive office. As you will see in the draft of by-laws, I have made provision for an Executive Committee in the hands of which will be placed all detail work.

I hope to get from Europe a complete report of everything that has been done there in the matter of immunity. I probably will send over also a first-class veterinary surgeon and have investigated not only the work of Maragliano but that of Behring, Marmorac, Bang, MacFadden and others. If we find it worth while, we will test the entire matter here and in this way get at the bottom of it.

I hope to see you in New York on the 22nd.

Yours truly,

Lawrence F. Flick.