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To Dr. Flick from Dr. Wm. Porter.

Mount St. Rose Sanitorium,
Carendelet Heights, St. Louis, Mo.
Nov. 10, 1903.

Dear Dr. Flick:

Very many thanks for your reply and the literature you sent. I feel the heavy responsibility of the work that I have in hand and I want to keep in touch with you. I wish that you would put me on your list, so that when anything comes in that is of practical interest, you will think to notify me.

I had my book dealer telegraph at once for your book on "Consumption" and it will be of great use to me. I specially wanted it in a hurry because I am to lecture on this very subject at a medical association next Friday.

Regarding the "Congress", I will be glad to aid in any ways that I can. A Mr. Clark Bell wrote me concerning a "Congress" that is to meet here next year but from what I hear, I do not believe that it is commanding that confidence of many of our best workers. I do not want to be disloyal to my own city or to some of my friends who are in next year's "Congress" but I want to do what is best for the work itself. Will you let me know, in confidence if you wish it, what is the true status of affairs?

I wish that it were possible to have you give us a lecture on the work you are doing. I would arrange for a special meeting at our society or would gladly give you one of my days at our society in the course on "Tuberculosis" at St. University. At least you must look out for a call when you come to the Fair.

As to workers here who will be interested in the "Congress", I will send you names from time to time. All of the men on my consulting staff are earnest men, the last three being surgeons. Dr. Hugo Summa is also a prominent worker and also Dr. E. W. Shauffler of Kansas City. I am

Very truly yours,

Wm. Porter.