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~~J. H. Ramsay Wright~~

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Civil Commissioner,
Baghdad

Dear Sir William Oler,

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There were two
first rate Arabists at Baghdad fairly
recently. One, Mr. J. L. Norton D. C. S.,
is now I believe spending his furlough
at Cambridge, reading with Professor
Browne; the other, Major J. J. Eadie,
D. S. O.; is attached to General Headquarters
Mesopotamia Expeditionary Force. There
is also of course Dr. Van Ess of the
American Mission at Basrah and
Père Anastase of the Dominican
Mission at Baghdad.

I do not know of any outstanding
native Arabist, but possibly Dr.
Margoliouth who has recently been
to Baghdad may know of someone.
No opportunity has presented
itself yet for my visit to Hamadan but
now that Persia is more or less in our

hands I am hoping to get there shortly.
I am afraid that there is no chance of
my getting home before the beginning
of next year. A post at the Bodleian
then would please me very much indeed,
especially under the régime of Dr Lowley.
May I add my congratulations
to the volume recently extended to you?

Yours Sincerely,
R. Lenz.