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My dear Professor,

I am very grateful to you for your last two letters. I am returning Dr. Saunder's letter, and enclosing a copy of the letter which I have addressed to him. I hope there are no bad mistakes, since I imagine the General Board would not like to keep an Assistant in Research who cannot write English. Perhaps I shall be in Cambridge before the General Board meets, although I cannot yet fix a date in view of the difficulties of finding a home here, and should not like to leave the family unsettled, even for a short time.

I hear Maccacaro is again in Cambridge and has started work. I have encouraged as much as I could his idea ~~xxxxxx~~ of spending one more year in Cambridge and I am very glad that bacterial genetics will not be stopped in Cambridge. I hope Cynthia has not changed her mind, and still keeps an interest to bacteria; which seem to me a difficult object, that needs very keen work to get something done about ~~them~~.

I have repeated some of the crosses done in Cambridge with first-step Chloromycetin resistant. Here I have a Hollerith to tabulate the data on the prototrophs, but unfortunately the numbers of prototrophs examined have to remain always of the same order of magnitude.

Would you please give my greetings to everybody,

Yours sincerely

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