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Dear Gosh.

I have a little sum reimbursed by the Coleman Trust. Society to pay a repair which had to be done on one of their instruments in my lab. It would help me if you could check this sum on your account (the check has been endorsed by the Pasteur Institute) and pay for me my dues for 1954 at the American Association of Immunologists, as I am late to do that (I probably received the first notice as I was in bed and lost it). You will find the adress of the Association enclosed in this letter. For the rest of the sum keep it for an little exchange of books (I probably owe you quite a lot of money, now). Thank you in advance for all this.

My work is going now better, as I am back in my lab. I have been appointed a member of the staff of the Pasteur Institute recently and, though it does not change my job it is a moral satisfaction and brings à raise in my salary. I still have to improve my space situation (we are two people in a small room and I do not know well how to work with somebody in my lab) and technician help. But as long as the work is beginning to show the rest will come "de surcroît" (I hope). I am now trying to fractionate my cobra venom on a large scale with a one or two step procedure (electrophoresis on starch) as I think I must concentrate first on the iso-

-lation of the neurotoxic principle (or principles) before going back to the lecithinase-antilecithinase reaction (as it is better to work on this reaction with purified lecithinase which I hope to prepare as [illegible] the neurotoxin). The whole problem is fascinating from the standpoint of neurotoxin as well as its immunochemical implications.

Spring is now coming fast and the temperature is rising to 13°C. When will you come to smell the odour of Paris after a Spring rain?...

Give my love to Esther

Yours as ever.

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