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Dear Courtenay,

The Leon Bernad Prize, which has just been awarded me, includes besides the bronze medal one thousand Swiss francs. I shall of course wish to keep the medal, but I should prefer to see the money applied to some single useful purpose rather than to merged it within my current expenditures. So I am asking you to transmit it to your son for use in connection with his college expenses. He will probably not hesitate to accept it if you will tell him so.
that his grandfather, George Custer, once joined with Mr. Hodge in giving me a sum of money to help me over a difficult time at Harvard College. So this particular prize I have obtained with sentiments of gratitude as well as a desire to help solve his educational problems.

Perhaps he will be interested to know that the prize was awarded by the Lenné Bernard Foundation, created by the Health Committee of the League of Nations, for my work in combating yellow fever, and in the sphere of medical-surgical protection, which has benefited the populations of a large number of countries.

Not remembering your (sic) address, I have marked the check on your (sic) name. I am looking forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,

[Signature]