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Dear Guillemin,

Thank you for your letters of March 14th, 24th, and 28th. I am very sorry that because of my wife's illness I shall neither be able to see you in Paris nor in Madrid on this occasion. This is a great disappointment but in the circumstances I think it is right that I should not come. My wife is now making some progress and I hope that her recovery will be uneventful.

Let me answer the questions raised about the Association:

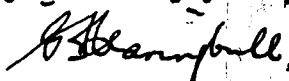
The proposal about President, Secretary, etc. is that after the Statutes are approved nominations should be made at Madrid with the proviso that Societies will be able to add to them before an election and that after a postal ballot has been held the officers and committee elected would immediately take over the running of the Association. The Commissions should be able to start work immediately after a nucleus has been formed at Madrid. On the question of the number of commissions, what, in fact, happened at the Montreal Meeting was that various commissions were proposed but were not discussed in any detail. On looking through this list we felt that the number was large for the commencement of the Association, and in any case that the subjects proposed could be grouped together under a very small number of main headings. The proposed commission could consider in more detail what was required and would be able to propose sub-committees to deal with the individual topics if they so wished. If it was found that these individual topics merited commissions to deal with them, these could well be proposed at a later meeting.

With reference to the paper by Professor Kostov he is well aware of the mineral d'ustarassite and discusses its relation to bonchevite in the paper. Thank you for your interest in the matter.

We have safely received the specimen of greisfen for the determination of lithium and this will be put in hand as soon as possible.

With all good wishes and also from my wife.

Very sincerely yours,



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