

London Central Y.M.C.A.  
Great Russell Street  
London, W.C.1

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My dear Dr. Bahadur,

Thanks for your letter of 19<sup>th</sup> instat. I am very happy to learn from you that you are coming with your family.

Imperial College which is in South Kensington is in a residential area. I know of hundreds of Indians living there, many with families. You should be able to find a suitable accomodation. Even if you do not get a suitable accomodation there, you can take a flat anywhere you get, as transport is absolutely no problem in London. The tubes & the buses are extremely efficient. Unfortunately I shall not be here to help you but you may please write to

Mr. A.P. Singh  
37, West Cromwell Road  
London, E.W.5

He has been our student and you may have taught him a few years back. Dr. R.D. Tewari knows him very well. I have spoken to him to help you. I have given a glowing account of your achievements to Brigadier Hurley, into whom I had lunch to-day. He is an extremely nice and friendly man.

I am sailing from Southampton to-morrow. You can write to me in U.S.A. at the address given on reverse. I hope this finds you in the best of health. Please write to me to my wife.

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My dear Dr. Bahadur,

I posted to you a letter this morning ~~over~~ through Dr. Day. Yesterday I saw A. P. Singh. He has received your letter. The arrangement for your accommodation can be done by him only when you come here. You can stay in a Hotel and then you can look for accommodation with his help. It is not the custom here for ladies to book accommodation so much in advance.

This morning I had lunch with Brigadier Huxley and discussed with him & his Secretary about your accommodation. They can offer you a flat but what they are afraid of is that you will not be able to keep the flat clean. It is one of the conditions of the Trustees of the Foundation that the flat should be kept spotlessly clean. Another thing which is worrying Brigadier Huxley is that your wife being an intellectual lady might want to attend some courses. In that event things will be very difficult for you.

You must know that life in England is pretty hard. No domestic servants are available. Your wife has to do the cooking, go for marketing, look after the children and scrub the floor and wash utensils. Brigadier is not sure that your wife being an intellectual type will like to do all this. He could not write to you all this officially, ~~as that would have become official~~. He has therefore requested me to inform you all this on his behalf. Nuffield's expect their fellows to live decently and comfortably as Nuffield fellows are supposed to be the best brains in the Commonwealth. The Foundation will help you in ~~the~~ every possible way.

I am leaving to-morrow morning. You can write to me to-morrow in U.S.A. if you want any other information. I hope this finds you in the best of health. Please remind me to your wife.

With best wishes

Yours sincerely  
S. P. Mitra

