



THE MADRASAH,
CALCUTTA.

December 29th 1928

My dear Professor Goligier,

Many thanks for your post card
of the 27th November.

As for Döppler he has fled
(durchgezerrant!) from Calcutta
leaving no traces behind him.
I fear he is a thoroughgoing
scamp.

With regard to the Khuda Baksh
lectureship: owing to petty
jealousy on the part of the

family of the founder of the
Library, (who instead of being
grateful for what I have
done to preserve it, and have
it properly catalogued, have
put many obstacles in my
way) I was not even informed
of this lecturership until I read
in a local newspaper that
they had be so fortunate as to
secure your services.

I think a good topic would be
"the debt of Moslem Learning
to Indian Scholars" - if that is
not too much out of your line.

I am preparing a translation
of Babur's Poems and hope to
publish it shortly together with
notes on the style and emendations
of my text: for I am in doubt
on several points, the Grammar
of Chaghatai being somewhat
liquid and vague.

I was delighted to receive an
acknowledgment of the little
book from Prof. Vambery written
in Chaghatai.
By the way I sent him a telegram
from Darjeeling congratulating

him on his Jubilee - but I
have not heard whether it ever
reached him.

Trusting you are in good
health and wishing you
a very happy new year

I am

very sincerely yours
E. Smith and Co.