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My dear Goldysher,

By this time you may have
the letter which I wrote to you
on Jan. 28th. Yours of Jan. 18th
reached me a few days ago.

First to relieve your mind, I
don't believe there is any hurry
about the Hastings Dictionary sheet
for the earliest articles. Your
first article is Dā'ūd al-Zakirī
under letter D and that won't
be reached for quite a while.
Besides you could write about
Dā'ūd on your head! If you
feel that you are pumped out
on the general Muhammadan
article, would not Snouck take
it off your hands? He could
do it well, couldn't he? I am
understand that having written
so many such articles, it may

Dyer Chester American consul in Budapest.
He is an Anglicist and should be able to
do it well. But I presume you know
him already.

I am delighted to hear of your Lehrjahre
Litteraturgeschichte. Is it going to be in
an intelligible language? You know what
I think of Henryarian. A good book of the
kind is needed badly; neither Brockelmann
nor Hart nor Pizzi is much good.
Perhaps because I was weaker for Pizzi.

The other day I went read him over.
In the Princeton University library there
is a MS which Hartmann catalogued as
Olt 5! It is Cutes du temps Harouy ar-
rached. I find that it is really the
book I mentioned about Abbe Vidua's
with bits of his verse that was compiled
by Abel Alkhalbi. Ahmad b. Harab al-Mihyani -
Abu Wifian

come very hard upon you.
— Your article in the Kultur
der Gegenwart I liked very much
and I thoroughly understand how
much work it cost. But we
want something much more
elaborate and detailed. I have
great difficulty in getting the
contributors to understand how
full we want the articles to
be.

Now I trust your mind is easier
as far as Hastings is concerned.
As to your American lectures they
are evidently going to make a
great book and are very much
larger and more elaborate than
any of the others in the series.
I love here, for example, Buddha.
It is only 228 large-type pages
with a note here and there.
He printed apparently just as he
had delivered. For a translator
have you thought of W. Frazer

The Fischer has it under Abu
Urwā, not in its article on Abu
Hifan. But I cannot find in
Broek. or in the USS Cadalops
I have as yet looked into any
trace of either man or book.
Is this an Unicum? Any way
Houtsma was very far out.

Have you seen André Chevillon's
Un Crépuscule d'Islam? It has
struck me as a wonderfully brilliant
book, full of quite remarkable
insight into Muslim life from
a non-orientalist. What he
has seen and described agrees
almost exactly with the conclusions
my reading in Grabie had brought
me to. At least of things Moroccan
— his field — perhaps elsewhere
Islam has been more modernized.

Keim and Tisdall I have not
yet seen but I shall try to get
them. Jayakars's translation of

8.45

Damiré is coming to me.

My old pupil Warrell who is
now with Fischer at Leipzig
tells me that the films in the
older Qur'an commentaries (Tabari
etc.) have been given to him for
his thesis. There is an enormous
amount in Tabari but it is
uncommon difficult to get it
out. I never read a book with
so many repetitions in it before.

Did I tell you of my review
of Margoliouth's Mohammed?
It is quite a long thing — over
20 pages — in the Church Quarterly
Review for July 1906. It is
strictly anonymous and I got
no copies; otherwise I would
have sent you one. It was
Sir Charles Lyall who suggested
me to the editors of the Review.
Had you seen earlier part in
it?

come if we possibly can. Our remembrance
of you in Hartford are too pleasant for
us not to want to see you again, and
learn to know your wife.

Thank you for your article on the Elements
Egk. I never met the place that I can
remember, but I shall look out for it now.

And now you must not play with your
health by working to late at night. That
is your great danger. I can't now, which
is my salvation.

Please give our very best remembrance
and greetings to Mr Soloyker, and believe
me for yourself Always Yours Faithful
Duncan B Macdonald

And now, rejoice with me -
odg all right - my Horrell letters
are at last all in shape and
ready to send off to the printers.
You will find them a very
queer jumble, and with a great
deal you won't agree at all;
but I think I have been over
fresh ground and have got
somewhere, as they say here.

Let this explain my unproduct-
iveness for some time back!
Now I must set to work on
articles for the Britannica and
an article for the Deutsches
to Harper.

Next summer we go to Scotland
and then on to Egypt. We will
turn up with you at Budapest
if in any way possible. But Egypt
is so horribly expensive that
I don't know how much travelling
we can afford to do. We will