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My dear Goldzyher,

My hearty congratulations on your new Ph.D. As you are such a magazine of them now, couldn't you pass one or two along to me? I am still in a state of unbelief.

There is an enormous lot of stuff in al-Jahiz - Kitab al-Jahiz; I have it so far as published. They are also printing Yaqut at Cairo, but I have not got any of it yet.

The letter of the Shaykh Suhrawardi is interesting, but I have not learned anything from it. Of course, I know the regular passages on the subject in the Qur'an and the hadiths.

I hope you will persuade Swartz to  
write us a great many articles for  
"Hunting" If he doesn't the blood of  
the Dictionary will be on your head;  
I can't write it all!

W H don't pretend you both of  
us and writes that your journey  
and return may be happy and  
successful. Yours faithfully  
James C. Macdonald

The trouble with such Muslims  
as he is that they take for  
granted that no one knows  
anything about Muslim authority  
except themselves. My review  
gives a great deal deeper than  
I suspect he is prepared to  
follow. Also it has two sides;  
(1) the views of the theologians;  
(2) " " " " populare.  
You yourself brought out that  
difference excellently in your  
St Louis paper.

Your criticism on the editing  
of part of Ibn Abi Tayyib's  
Hisala is very valid. The  
introduction is most uncritical  
throughout, although the  
text and translation seems to  
be fairly good. But how many  
orientals can be critical? intra  
in verba magistri seems their  
fate.