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Oly külföldi államokkal való forgalomra, hova a levelezőlap díja 10 fillér, külön 10 filléres levelezőlapok szolgálnak.

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سبحانك يا ربّي! Many thanks for your card d/d. 20/VII which reached me this moment. Your article on Slabright is very important, being the first essay informing us on the coherent outlines of that curious contamination of a MI night version; you gave the first direction on that matter. For myself I am using always the 2<sup>d</sup> Bullett. The term "philosopher" in Muslim literature is applicable only of Peripatetic men; in that sense we cannot range Gazeli in the philosophers group; he is <sup>this and that</sup> and an implacable enemy of what they call Philosophy. For his own, he had many systems. Since 35 years I cannot ~~build~~ <sup>build</sup> up a consequent and coherent system of his works <sup>speculative</sup>. He seems to be an impressionist of a chameleon-like shape. Perhaps he was some day an adherent of James's ideas, but you cannot say, that this was the centre of his speculation. He had no theoretical centre. As to modern Egyptians and Indians, I read every day in their newspapers and magazines the names of Kant, Hegel, Spencer, Comte etc. etc. picked up by them. But I mean, these are only names. The ideas of the bearers of those names, if known to them (which I doubt) made no impression on their religious conscience as Aristotle and Plato made in former times. Also, I found no trace this summer to <sup>أخرج من القول القوي</sup> of a review of your "Attitude". I was so strongly occupied with studying the new volume of Ibn Sa'id appeared last month (3 volumes) and other large text-works, while talking all my day- and night-time, besides some ruminations (Subli id. Neufman; Takat id. Margolich etc.) from which I could not escape. How are you at-ways and how is Mrs. Macdonald? to whom I send my hearty compliments. Yours faithfully Goldziher