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Zug, October 20, 1962.

Dear Bill:

Many thanks for your kind and long Letter of Oct. 15., which came to hand yesterday.

First of all I must tell you, that Wolodja got started on the Russian book hunt immediately I gave him the data. I had a letter from him a couple of days ago, where he tells about steps he has already taken. So that unless there will be some hitch along his line of endeavor, you might end up with two sets of the books in question.

It was interesting to hear about your continued work on the Voynich Mss., and I do hope that you can keep me posted about your progress in this most difficult matter.

I was glad to hear that you have to walk a lot every day. And dont call this "losing time"! I myself find that walking is the best exercise one can get at our "advanced" age, - and I usually manage to do some constructive thinking under way.

And your switching over to eights I think is a wise move. Not to mention the impression you must make, especially if at the same time you go back to wearing your monocle, on a broad black silk ribbon!

I myself cannot bring myself around to smoking, not even eights, but I spend some of my time visiting my wine cellar, - see encl. photo, which was taken at Sundsör last summer. Here in Zug, my wine cellar is not at all so fancy, but instead it holds a lot more wine.

We are swamped with work, at Crypto AG. But of course, one never knows how long this will last. I do hope that it will last for the rest of my own active life span, and I think that the chances are good, anyhow, as we manage to keep abreast with developments pretty well. — As already mentioned, I would so very much like to be able to show you our accomplishments, made since your last visit here.

We have foggy fall weather, and we look forward to coing to Menton end of January next. But before that, we shall have to go to Sweden, for the Zmas holidays.

We do hope all is well with you and Mlizebeth, and we send you both our love and affectionate regards.

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