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Dear Dr. Bell,

Asbestos Dust Counts

Thank you for the answer to my query. However, one part of the letter still remains unanswered and that is how do you estimate the asbestos content of a sample of dust? The point I was trying to make in my previous letter was that for given concentrations of silica, upper limits of a dust count are designated. As far as I can ascertain, no comparable figures have been worked out for asbestos.

Can you give me a lead then as to how the asbestos content of a dust sample can be ascertained? Is there any known method during a dust count of distinguishing asbestos fibres from other dust particles.

Yours faithfully,

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