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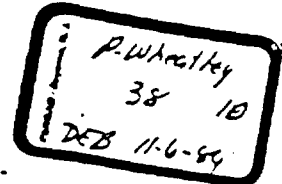
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CANADIAN HEAD OFFICE
OTTAWA, CANADA

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Dr. George Wheatley
Assistant Medical Director
New York Home Office.



Dear George,-

As I am not to have the pleasure of seeing you on the 2nd, it seems advisable that I answer your letter.

With reference to the Company's Industrial Health material,- our distribution in Canada is not, and I do not think ever will be, sufficiently large to warrant the expense of printing in this country. From time to time we requisition on Home Office for such moderate quantities as will fill our normal requirements. Because of your very recent contact with Dr. Graham Ross and Dr. Billfeld I think you might send these men the publications direct from your office; you will probably want to write to them.

The general welfare pamphlets are another matter. They are printed in Canada,- very often with necessary changes, and we print in both official languages. For these reasons it seems advisable that you should not send this type of material from New York. I will send a set to Mr. McGaw and also to Mr. Sabourin.

I am not going to comment on the statements of Dr. Koffman of R.C.A. or Dr. Stevenson our medical examiner in Asbestos, except to refer you to studies of the claims of the International Nickel Company made by me back in September, 1943. Neither the statements of Dr. Koffman and Stevenson nor the findings of the various Home Office expeditions to Groups in Canada have added one iota to my original analysis. If you have any ideas as to how to improve the situation which, be it remembered, is wide-spread among Groups in general, then I think you ought to discuss this with Vice-President Campbell.

Sincerely yours,

Norman

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