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Dear Dr. Cassells,

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With reference to your recent article in the B.M.J. on Tetraethyl lead Poisoning I think this patient is your number 3 and I thought you would like to know about him for contrary to your general experience of these patients he does not seem to have made a complete recovery. I have seen him several times now and found him on each occasion quite odd in his behaviour. He still has bad dreams, sleeps badly, has lost a lot of weight and is still losing, is depressed and somewhat confused. His wife described him as definitely absentminded, e.g. if he goes down to do a little shopping he gets his change wrong and forgets most of the things he went for. Given a small test of concentration e.g. a newspaper paragraph and asked to strike out the letter E he missed 24 out of 59. This perhaps gives you some impression of what he is like and I still think he is suffering from the effects of lead. I am having a specimen of urine tested for I see from your notes in the Journal that the last figure was 0.063 mg. per litre which does not seem to be high.

I should be glad to know if you have lately heard of any permanent sequela because the matter is of legal interest in this particular case as the question of compensation has not yet been settled.

Yours sincerely,

(Sgd) C.T.Andrews.

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