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Dr. Wilder Penfield,
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Montreal, Canada.

Re: NEUROLOGICAL INSTITUTE, MONTREAL

Dear Dr. Penfield:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letters dated March 16th and 23rd.

Your letter of the 16th should have been answered sooner, but I have been out of town and ill for several days.

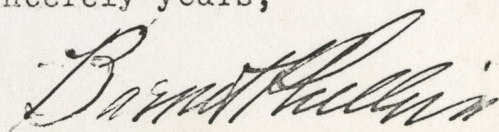
In regard to the statue, I think you are wise in not having this toned before being shipped to this country. Any toning, if necessary, can be readily done by us. I will therefore be guided accordingly and am returning the photograph herewith.

Relative to your letter of the 23rd, I am firmly of the belief that the scheme for the small table is much better than a bench. The location of this table in the room will readily permit looking over it and seeing the entire statue. A bench of proper proportion would be too long and I fear would tend to block passage to the room. I am enclosing a thumb nail sketch in scale showing location. A bench also, would have about the same height as the seat of the settees which would not make a pleasant proportion or balance in the room.

I mailed to Mr. MacDonald yesterday, drawings of proposed wood settee with cushion for this room which we will use in place of the all upholstered sofa.

To summarize your suggestions in regard to the center motif for the ceiling, I think the ideas embodied in your letter are excellent, together with the Greek inscription suggested. I shall look up the data referred to by you and then make further suggestions as to the development of the center motif. Whatever we do in this respect, however, will be in pale tones so as not to interfere with the general scheme of the ceiling or take interest away from the statue.

Very sincerely yours,



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(2 Encls.)

