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Professor Harold L. Scott Robert College Bebek, Istanbul, Turkey

Dear Professor Scott:

Your letter of November 9 reached me this morning. I hasten to reply after consulting our Librarian, Miss Mary Walker.

There are a good many letters from Dr. Cyrus Hamlin in the American Board archives covering the period of his services with the American Board up to 1859. I do not know from personal examination how many letters there are, or what is their relative significance from your point of view, but I can say with a fair degree of confidence that you would probably be well rewarded in examining these letters. They deal with various aspects of his early years in Turkey.

Miss Walker will be glad to give you further information about them if you care to write her, asking specific questions. Her address in Miss Mary A. Walker, Librarian, Room 701, the American Board, 14 Beacon Street, Boston 8, Mass.

I am interested in which you say about your own responsibilities these days. Dr. and Mrs. Black with whom I had a nice little visit recently in Cambridge give me a good word about you and your doings. We are looking forward to seeing more of them after they settle down in Cambridge.

Mrs. Goodsell and I keep well and busy. She joins me in warm personal greetings to you and Mrs. Scott. We shall be very happy to see you when you visit America next year.

Yours sincerely, Kus has looded

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November 9, 1955

Dr. Fred Field Goodsell c/o American Board of Congregational Foreign Missions 14 Beacon St. Boston, Mass. U. S. America

Dear Dr. Goodsell,

Dr. Ballantine tells me that you have found in the archives of the Board Rooms letters from Cyrus Hamlin which relate to the time when he left the American Board to take up the work of starting Robert College. I am supposed to embark soon on the preparation of a new "story" of the College and to have it ready for publication by our centennial year - 1963.

Would you mind letting me know roughly how much material you have discovered and whether there is anything of outstanding interest and importance? I shall probably go to the States within the next year to examine College records - the reports of the presidents to the trustees, letters, etc. - which are in the archives at that end. If you think it would be worth while I should like to go to Boston to study the documents in the Board Rooms files. Material having to do with Dr. Hamlin's early years in Turkey, while he was still with the Board, would be of interest also, of course.

I shall be very pleased to hear from you and to receive your advice in this matter.

I hope you and Mrs. Goodsell are keeping well. I am now in, shall we say, three-quarters retirement. I have given up the Dean's responsibilities and have only those of Vice-President. I find the change a great relief, and am countingon a longer life in consequence.

The College is thriving. We have nearly 1200 students, counting 100 Turkish officers, which is a record. Our new President is full of ideas and youthful energy and I think the College has a new era of positive achievement ahead of it.

Dr. Fred F. Goodsell - 2 - November 9, 1955

Eveline joins me in cordial greeting to Mrs. Goodsell and yourself.

With sincere thanks in anticipation for your help, I am

Very Sincerely yours

Harold L. Scott

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