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My Dear Dr. Black -

I have been urged by the Officers of the Colorado State Dental Society that we press upon you our invitation that was extended some few weeks ago to meet with us as our guest at our coming meeting, and urge you earnestly to accept it.

There is at least one very particular reason why we wish you to come out here and that is because we need and must have your help.

You are already familiar through what Drs. Burton and Wilson have told you, with the nature of a problem that is pressing upon us here in this locality for solution. I refer of course to the brown stained enamel similar to the tooth that Dr. Wilson left with you.

There is a great deal that I wish personally

to write you regarding this condition particularly if you consent to come out here next Summer which I will not take space for in this letter, which I wish to devote to the matter of your coming principally.

I will however say that in the large proportion in which this stain occurs here, I am strongly convinced that it is a local problem; the reasons for this conclusion I can go into more fully later in our correspondence.

In order to determine the feeling on this matter of having you here a special meeting of the officers of the State Society was held last Saturday in Denver at which Dr. Gilson and myself presented the need of assistance from you and I am most happy to say that the plan we suggested was most heartily supported by these other gentlemen.

There has never been any doubt in my mind but that when you realized what sort of a problem we have here, you would be attracted enthusiastically to it because of your long years of study of Israel conditions and I was not disappointed by Dr. Gilson's report of his meeting.

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with you in Chicago.

So far as I know the recent literature of Dentistry has no mention of any such condition as this stain, therefore we have a splendid field for an original essay, and of a most scientific nature.

As Dr. Wilson reported, the chief objection you had to coming here was that the date of the meeting would conflict with the close of the school year in Chicago.

If so, that is a matter we can arrange at this end, for it was agreed at our meeting that if you would consent to come we would willingly and gladly change the date of the meeting to suit your convenience. And as an off hand plan it was suggested that we hold our meeting at dates one month later, that is about the third week in July.

It merely remains for you to tell us what time would be convenient for you and we will put the date accordingly.

Let me suggest the following plan: arrange if you can to be here by July 1st and spend the time up to the meeting (about three weeks).

in studying the evidence that we will have
ready for you, and the conditions here that
would seem to you to have a bearing on the
subject. Your conclusions could then be given
to us at the meeting.

Let us look also for a moment at the other
side. We feel that you can do us a great deal of
good by coming here and helping us in this matter,
and we know also that we can do you a great
deal of good.

Three weeks or so spent here will mean a new life
to you after the heat and smoke of Chicago.
Our summer climate is delightful in that
it affords an absolute freedom for humidity
which means rest for the body.

I do not need to remind you of the beauties
of Nature which are at your very doors here
in this locality, and which have made Colorado
Springs famous the World over.

You shall be housed and cared for comfortably
while you are here where you can rest and drink
in these beauties and if there is anything that
you need that has been overlooked, you have only
to make your wants known and we will do

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all in our power to make you stay here pleasant
and comfortable.

In view of the fact that three preparations
are to be made, there is considerable detail
work to be done which requires prompt action.
If possible then may I ask that you favor me
with a prompt reply that we may get to work
to prepare our evidence for you.

In closing let me again urge my dear Doctor,
that you accept our invitation.

Most Cordially Yours
Frederick S. McKay

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