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*Copy for Sir Arthur Curie*

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Dear Dr. Lomer :-

As nearly as I could judge the very large cost of bringing out the Catalogue leaves the Blacker Fund so depleted that we would be unable to carry out the program that you and I have long had in mind. After paying all the bills incident to preparing the MS and for the publication and distribution of the volume there would be little remaining for other activities connected with the management of the Blacker Library of Zoology.

I laid all our troubles before Mrs. Blacker and she has just sent me a very welcome cablegram generously promising the sum I suggested to meet our pressing needs, viz Four thousand five hundred dollars ( \$ 4500) payable in Canadian currency next February for the following purposes, which I give in order of urgency :-

1. The purchase of as many PERIODICALS AND SERIALS as the fund will allow.
2. Continuing the cataloguing of the Library until the midsummer holidays 1932.
3. The binding of unbound volumes - periodicals in particular.
4. The purchase of such other desiderata as the Fund will permit.

I may say here, and I am sure you will agree, that the yearly interest of the Blacker Endowment should not be spent for any of the above activities (except perhaps binding) but should be earmarked for the purchase of current zoological magazines and serials, for continuation of the same, and for the purchase of odd volumes and numbers to fill gaps in incomplete sets. The income