

New York, September 21st, 1903.

*To the Officers, Delegates and Members of the American Congress on Tuberculosis.*

It affords the Executive Officers of the American Congress on Tuberculosis great pleasure to announce the reception of the following letters from the Government of the United States, Department of State:

Department of State,

Washington, September 18th, 1903.

Clark Bell, Esq., Chairman Executive Committee, American Congress on Tuberculosis, 39 Broadway, New York City:

SIR,—I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 31st ult., and to inform you that the instructions to the Diplomatic Officers of the United States accredited to the Central and South American States, Mexico, Haiti and San Domingo have been sent in the language of the draft submitted to you on August 29th, but amended in the particular suggested in your letter under acknowledgment.

Instructions of the same tenor with regard to the British, French, Dutch and Danish Colonial Governments have gone to our Ambassadors at London and Paris, and our Ministers at the Hague and Copenhagen respectively.

In the hope that these instructions will result in a full representation by American States and Colonial Governments at the Congress on Tuberculosis at St. Louis next year, I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

ALVEY A. ADEE, *Acting Secretary.*

Department of State,

Washington, August 29th, 1903.

Clark Bell, Esq., Chairman of the Executive Committee of the American Congress on Tuberculosis, 39 Broadway, New York.

SIR,—Referring to the correspondence which the Department has recently had with you concerning the desire of the Committee on Organization of the proposed American Congress on Tuberculosis to be held at St. Louis in October, 1904, to have this Government give its support to the invitation which the Committee has addressed to each American Government to be represented at the Congress. I enclose herewith a draft of an instruction to each diplomatic representative of the United States in the Western Hemisphere. The Department will be pleased to consider any changes in, or additions to the draft you may suggest.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

F. B. LOOMIS, *Assistant Secretary.*