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My dear Terry:-

Thank you very much for your
letter of April 29th.

I am very glad indeed to contribute \$10.00 to the Charity Fund of Grand Lodge. I have not received their statement for some years but I do remember that when last I examined it I was impressed by the very small amount of charity work done by Grand Lodge. Frankly, I was ashamed of it, in view of the place charity takes in our teaching. It seems you are about to do more, but I do not know that I agree in your raising a large endowment of \$250,000. You will probably invest it at 5% interest and have available \$12,500 a year. I do not know how much you would need to get from each Mason in B. C. to produce that amount, but I believe every one would be willing to pay \$2.00 annually to a charitable fund. If they did I am sure you would raise much more than the annual interest on the capital sum proposed. I am glad to contribute the amount you mention, but again cannot help remarking that I see no reason for the locking up of such a large amount of capital.

I am indeed very sorry to hear what you tell me about Howard Russell. The last time I saw him was out at the Golf Links with you, I think. I was always very fond of Howard and hope that he will recover his former good health.