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Colonel Bovey,
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Dear Colonel Bovey,

This is in acknowledgment of your kind letter of the 19th inst.

It is very unfortunate indeed that Dr. Roese's illness makes it necessary for him to be absent from the Chinese Library at this time.

The work outlined for him has been, of necessity, quite exacting, especially when we realize that the method of indexing and cataloguing a Library of this kind is quite different from the usual procedure; that it is in a language such as Chinese, makes the work particularly difficult.

The unfortunate episode with Mr. Liu did not help to relieve the strain under which Dr. Roese was working. In my observations, I find that men of his type seem to be quite temperamental, and while he, undoubtedly has his faults, he has been most loyal to me and is attempting to carry out my wishes in every particular.

There is a great amount of work piling up on him in connection with shipments which will come