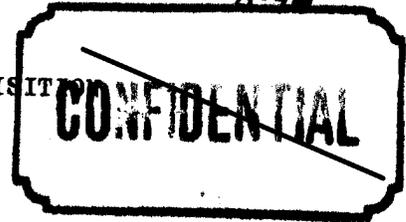


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Mr. John H. Moriarty
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Dear Mr. Moriarty:

The following quotation comes from a recent communication from Thomas in Istanbul:

"With the existing transportation systems of the Near East all working overtime on military business, what to do with the stack of books I have bought from the Library of Congress is a problem which sprouts new thorns every day. At present, I am still fighting to get export licence for three cases of books addressed two of them to you, one of them to the University of Chicago via Basra and New York. As a shipping agent, I would make a good professor. Nonetheless, I have not given up hope."

Sincerely yours,

Frederick G. Kilgour
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