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My dear Colleague:

Sufficient progress has now been made by the editorial staff to permit us to approach you for some advice. Offers of support have been received in such numbers and with such cordiality as to make it certain that we shall have a most distinguished array of contributors. I hope that we may include you in this great company.

On an enclosed sheet you will find some of the conditions of co-operation. If you are disposed to cooperate, may I ask you to be good enough to jot down the names of some of the articles - bibliographical or otherwise - that you might be disposed to undertake, limiting yourself, however, for the present to subjects within the letters A - L inclusive, and remembering that the subjects are arranged alphabetically in the English language. A subject which might be included within these letters in French or German, for instance, might not be so included in English, and vice versa.

May I call your attention to the fact that this letter is designed only for the preliminary information of the editor. It may well happen that some of the other colleagues to whom I am now writing will include in their selections a subject mentioned by you. The fact, therefore, that a particular subject suggested by you may ultimately be assigned to someone else, must not be deemed as in any way reflecting upon you. In order, however, to enable the editors to decide what articles to offer to any contributor, they must be in a position to know what subjects or class of subjects might prove attractive.

In the hope, therefore, that you will help us to the extent mentioned above, I remain

Faithfully yours,


Edwin R. A. Seligman

P.S. I am enclosing a copy of my recent report of progress. You have no doubt received a copy of the original Memorandum explaining the scope of the Encyclopaedia. If that is not the case, we shall be glad to forward this to you.

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CONDITIONS OF CONTRIBUTION

- I. Contributions will be paid for at the rate of two cents per word. The contributions may be sent in French, German, Italian or Russian. The payment will be made on the basis of the words in the English translation. Each article will be signed by the name of the contributor in full.

- II. In the invitation to contributors, both the length and the general character of the article will be specified. Most of the bibliographical articles will vary from 100 to 300 words, the other articles from 500 to 5000 words, while a few of the leading articles will be much longer.

- III. It is expected that the invitations to contribute the articles for the first two volumes (A - D) will be sent out in the early Spring of 1928. The articles should be ready six months after the receipt of the invitation. The other volumes ought to follow at the rate of about two a year for four or five years.

- IV. Payment for the articles will be made on receipt of the manuscript, or, where translation is necessary, as soon as the articles are translated, the maximum delay for this purpose being two months.