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Dear Josh.

Thank you very much for asking Richard Taylor to send me a copy of the Proceedings of the I.B.M. Conference on the use of Computers in Biology and Medicine. I will be very glad to see this when it comes.

Yours,

With best wishes to all.

P.S. Thank you for the information about the ice cores which Dr. Ragle has got at Dartmouth. I would be glad to look at some of these, at any rate. However we do not have a great deal of space here for storage at sub-sero temperatures, and it might be best to take say half a dozen small samples of the cores and look at these first. I can put them through the msual media for soil bacteria and perhaps also for marine organisms. In the light of these results we could decide whether to go any further. Ages of 50, 100, 200 years would probably be best.

I now to have a cluttered desk & to come on stems 195 at random' - thank you for the TS of the provodate