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Dear Dr. Kolb:

A few days ago I had a patient who is a drug addict. She is also a concert violinist, but her resources have dwindled to a low ebb. She is to give a national concert in New York on October 30, and I do not want to disturb her habituation too much until that concert is over. After that, I believe she will be willing to come to you as a voluntary patient. As I remember it, a dollar a day is all that is required. I am sure you will find her a very interesting person, and I can tell you much more about her if she comes. She is a single woman, about 44, who has seen more of life than can be written on a page or two. She has used alcohol to excess at times; has been at the Bloomingdale Hospital on one or two occasions. She seems to have a pretty sincere desire to get over the habit.

In our research project in connection with dementia precox we are anxious to get brains from well studied patients who have died under 45 years of age, and in cases in which the brains have been well preserved. I am sure you would know if there are any places in Kentucky where one might appeal for specimens. Judging from what you said about the nature of the hospitals there, there might not be any places that would be reliable enough to supply material for careful research. Your opinion will be greatly appreciated.

We have been greatly perturbed by the sickness of our dog, Pepper. He has developed a paralysis of his hind legs and has been pretty sick, but is improving. The veterinary physician feels that he may recover.

I am extremely busy. Medical school started a day or two ago and, unfortunately, one of my very loyal teachers has come down with a very critical illness which burdens me more than usual. I am trying to re-distribute the load to the younger members of my staff.

Mrs. Ziegler joins me in kindest regards to you and your family.

Sincerely yours,

Lloyd H. Ziegler

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