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Dear B. A.:

I had hoped to write you a long letter, but with inexorable swiftness the hour for the sailing of my boat to Foochow University comes on apace. I had hoped while here to write you more fully but maybe it will be just as well to make the endeavor when I am at Canton.

I am sailing on the Dollar Line from Singapore steamer S. S. Johnson on January 14 for Colombo, and will spend from January 20 to March 20 in India, starting on Southern India, going up to Calcutta and going westward as far north as Lahore, sailing from Bombay on the Dollar Line on March. I shall surely stop to see Sam Higgginbotham at Allahabad.

I have been having a very lovely trip, renewing old fellowships and discussing with anyone I could meet the question of rethinking and restating our Christian message in the light of the present day. Of late I have had several good chances to test the thing out with Chinese students, most recently at an alumni meeting of various colleges, both government and Christian, and I find that our Christian message can be stated in a way to interest the deeply thoughtful and critical student.

I had printed two hymns which I am finding very useful as I go along. You will be interested in the enclosed account of Yenching which was written by a very able Shanghai correspondent.

Ever with affectionate greetings,

A. B. Luce