

## BRITISH ARCHÆOLOGICAL SCHOOL,

ATHENS.

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My dear Penzance

many thanks for your note of March 16th with its informal report on what passed at the last Committee; I am most grateful to you for keeping me posted, & glad to hear the cistern is approved; of course we await further instructions.

As to Crete, I think the claims of the School ought to be strongly pressed. The results of last year's work are most important, & we shall never be in so strong a position for working this particular site; we can't keep our plant there indefinitely & cannot expect to have this group of experienced workers again. It doesn't pay us to work on ~~a~~<sup>a</sup> small scale at so great a distance. As you know, our <sup>household & secondary</sup> ~~living~~ <sup>kept</sup> expenses are <sup>kept</sup> proportionately & actually far less than Evans's; it is only by the most rigid economy that we can make any show at all;

and a small addition to our wages fund means  
for more to us than to him.

Will you bring the following applications  
before the Committee.

1. O. Hamdy Bey (Musée Impérial Ottoman, Constantinople)

writes that the Museum Library possesses only vol. II of the  
Annual, & begs me to do what I can to procure the  
presentation of the rest of the Series. I have  
replied that I am sure the Committee will give their  
favourable consideration etc. & thanking him  
for the benevolent interest he has always etc etc.  
I believe this application - for past & future numbers,  
ought to be granted.

2. M. Georges Constantinides, Ephoros of the National  
Library, Athens, <sup>tells me</sup> ~~writes~~ that his Library possesses  
only vol. I of the Annual, & that the publications  
of the other Archaeological Schools are regularly presented.  
The magnificent new building which you remember has  
at last been opened, but the whole sum available for  
purchases & binding is only about £400, of which  
only a fraction goes to Archaeology. He has  
recently purchased Schultz & Barnsley's S. Luke, which  
should be accounted to him for righteousness.

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I had always taken for granted that the Annual went to the National Library. It subscribes to the J.H.S. but does not possess any of the Supplementary Papers. I wrote to Hill after my talk with Mr Constantinides, but was just too late for the Nat<sup>l</sup> Lib? to be put on the list of presentations of Phylakopi - Will you

consider how best to arrange for the presentation of the latter - through School C<sup>tee</sup> or through Hellenic Council, & if possible include the other Supplementary Papers - Megalopolis,

Laconia, & Athenian Buildings. It's obviously in our interest that our publications should be accessible ~~to the Greeks~~ in the National Library of Greece.

3. J.H. Marshall, Director-General of Archaeology, Simla, India, continues to take a lively interest in Greek things, & wrote some time ago "Will you give a permanent order for the School Annual to be sent to me, addressed to my official designation."

I replied that I couldn't give such an order but would mention his request to the Committee. I don't support it; he is in a position to subscribe, & if old members of the School aren't sufficiently interested to send us an Annual guinea, who can be expected to do so? I sent him a subscription-form; possibly he may have swallowed the bait.

I was delighted by the news of Hasluck's Fellowship; he is just arriving at Constantinople, for one more spell at Cyzicus, after which he ought to be ready to publish some part of his Dissertation.

Yours ever

R. C. Bosanquet.