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To Dr. Bracken from Dr. Flick

Philadelphia,
March 30, 1904.

My dear Dr. Bracken:

I am very sorry that we did not have you with us at the meeting the other day and at the luncheon and dinner. It was a great day for the tuberculosis cause. At the meeting we had present about fifty or sixty of the most representative tuberculosis men in the country. After due and full consideration we decided to have nothing to do with either the Bell or Lewis Congresses and we organized ourselves into a United States Society for the Study of Tuberculosis. We appointed a committee to draft a Constitution and By-laws and agreed to meet again at the call of the committee, if possible in June in Atlantic City when the American Medical Association meets. At the luncheon I read an abstract of Maragliano's paper in English, as Maragliano himself had been kept away by severe illness. Maragliano's paper is a valuable contribution to the literature on tuberculosis and opens up new fields of study which are exceedingly promising. It will be published in the Medical News this week and I will see that you get a reprint.

At the dinner we had the finest lot of after-dinner speeches that I have ever heard from medical men. Every phase of the tuberculosis subject was covered by the different men and altogether it was an experience meeting ^{sic} which was well worth being present at and which was profitable to everybody present. I am sorry we did not have you with us and I do hope that we will have you when we meet again.

Yours truly,

Lawrence F. Flick.