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Dr. Harvey Cushing,
Peter Bent Brigham Hospital,
Boston.

My dear Dr. Cushing:

Dr. Strong has asked me to send you the following information in connection with the enclosed letter.

- 1. Buchemis tropics is a term employed for Elephantissis.
- 2. The other word may refer to Chichismo (or chichisis)
 the former term used in Colombia and parts of South
 America to indicate pellagra, where it was believed
 that pellagra was found only in people who regularly
 drank fermented maize called chica, and hence the
 malady chichismo. Do you think he could have used
 the word chichisia as a synonym of chichismo?

Yours very truly.

Catherine III. Casassa

Secretary.

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