

Dr. Heinz Meyer

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My dear Mrs. Schaufuss,

Yesterday, I came back from Richmond after having finished there the State Board Examination the day before. It was a rather hard strain, and I am glad to be across the hill. I cannot definitely tell you, of course, whether I passed or not, but my feeling about it is very similar to that which I had after the New York examination: If it is judged from a more general point of view, I shall certainly have passed; if the decision is made from marking each subject for itself, it may be possible that I did not get the 75 p.c. required. In my opinion, I got the average of 75 p.c. so that I shall not have to repeat the whole test.

Thus, I hope to have my license in January being in a position then to begin practising.

According to a conversation which Mrs. Meyer and I had with Dr. Kirsch yesterday noon and afternoon, it seems to us that things here may be arranged in a way acceptable to both sides. Since Dr. Kirsch speaking about the erection of the Medical Center publicly declared in a workers' conference that one should not promise anything that, later on, would be revealed as being impossible to be put in action thus causing disappointment, I am now of opinion that he himself was misinstructed and that he is willing to do his best to get to a reasonable agreement and to reasonable conditions for practicing. This is the reason why the disappointment causing my last letter to you was replaced by new hope.

Jochen is better now, and we hope that no new complications will occur which, however, ~~may~~ be expected untill the end of next week. Mrs. Meyer's condition improved too, and although she is physically still somewhat weak, she is able to do most of her house-work and to help me to make the necessary decisions.

Christmass being at our doors we thankfully think of you. To-day a year ago, I arrived in this country. Now, I am about to have a new experience of Advent together with my family.

A really peaceful and bright Christmass-tide to you and all good wishes for the coming year!

Yours very respectfully and sincerely,