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Dear Friend:

I've heard from my father that you have been ailing a bit and hope that you are well recovered. I stop in for an occasional visit with my parents, but have never taken time for a relaxed vacation and tour with old friends in Florida. Perhaps we will do this before too long.

Here things are brisk. I have assumed the head of a department in the School of Public Health the last five years. Although I am not a "natural" administrator, I am taking pleasure in the development of a vigorous young staff and interesting researches. Nelly is a full-time French teacher in a private school and getting much professional satisfaction from her activities. All of our children are out of the house – John, the first born, in hotel management school in San Francisco and about to go on his own; Katia in broadcast journalism at Boston University and about to graduate and go to work (rather than graduate school); and Heidi, the youngest, graduating this spring from Lewis and Clark in biology and planning to work for a year in a related field until she chooses her graduate field for the future.

When we're in good health, we are awfully fond of this North Country and are enjoying a great deal of cross-country skiing with friends and colleagues these days.

We often think back to days in Cuba and I expect that we will get back there sometime within the next decade. Let us hear from you.

Cordially,

Henry Blackburn, M.D., Jr.

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