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Dear Friend:

I was delighted to hear from you and to see your letter on Buffalo stationary. It is marvelous to have you in this country as a faculty member. I am also delighted with the possibility of meeting, talking and working with Blake Kerr. I think he has organized his thinking very well on these issues and it would be stimulating to have him here.

Let me indicate in all candor that there is a more active center than ours in terms of actual research and thinking on this topic. This is with Boyd Eaton at Emory, who wrote the interesting article on Paleolithic Nutrition in the New England Journal of Medicine last year.

On the other hand there are many reasons that Blake Kerr might have a good time out here in November and I should certainly be happy to have him here. Perhaps he could arrange to visit both places. The combination of talents actually working together in nutrition and paleontology is greater in the Emory group. However, the integration of the ideas that Blake Kerr is interested in with our social and population view of causes and prevention of mass diseases would make it worthwhile for him to be here.

So let me respond positively. We would be happy to have him here and to provide him with facilities to discuss and write up ideas while here. I'd be particularly excited to learn what more we can learn from comparative anatomy and physiology.

Henry Blackburn, M.D. Professor and Director