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My dear Theo,

I am not sure whether you prefer to be called by your first name, but seeing that you call me by mine, and that you were J.H.H.'s friend, I take the risk.

The work is going on steadily, and I am still hoping that you will come and spend a weekend with us and read what has already been written. Would the weekend of October 10 suit you? Meanwhile I wonder if I might ask you the answers to some questions:-

1. A certain Dr. Gerdener was the one who informed JH in 1916 that the SCA was not willing to employ him. Do you know his initials?
2. Were you and Cruse at the Beaufort West Conference in July 1913 when JH announced that his life would be spent in the service of Christ?
3. Could you give me a brief picture of H.P. Cruse?
4. Can you tell me something about Professor Ritchie and his relationship with JH? I know he was President of SCA in 1910. What were his names or initials?
5. Did you know Freddie Krige? He is still alive, is he not? Where does he live?
6. A.L. Smith became Master of Balliol. Did you know anything about him? I am not looking for anything comprehensive.- just a brief piece of information to establish the person.
7. Would you call Cyril Bailey a tutor or a don? How exactly would you describe him?
8. Was there ever a cartoon in the Students' Magazine of the University of the Witwatersrand entitled, "Vice-Chancellor of the University and her son"?

- 9. JH lived in Balliol for two years, then he joined his mother. Did she rent a house for this purpose? Was it in Museum Street or in Wellington Street?
- 10. Did she perhaps first live in lodgings for two years and then take a house? You did once say, "Mrs. H. was established in a house" when you got there. Perhaps therefore she lived in a house from the beginning, but I cannot understand why some people say she lived in Museum Street, and some say Wellington Street.
- 11. You said Mrs. H. had always to be present at the teas. I take it there had to be a woman chaperon when there were younger women guests. Who would these women visitors be, and why did they not go to Mrs. H.'s house?
- 12. Do you know what sort of cousin General Beyers was? Was his name 'Christian' or 'Christiaan'?
- 13. Was JH ever President of SRC at SACS? I have no record of this, but Donald Craib says he was. I presume in 1913.

I hope you will be able to visit us. Kind regards.

Yours sincerely,