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Mme Olivia Rosse ti Agresti,
Via Cesare Battisti 121 p.p.
Rome, Italy.

Dear Mme Agresti:

Would it be possible for me to be put on the list of subscribers to the interesting report on Italian Trade and Industry which your society issues? I hoped to arrange for it before I left Rome but, as I think I wrote you, my last visits and arrangements were interrupted by a wretched little illness and since I have been home I have had a rather serious illness in my family. All this has delayed my writing to you. I should like to get the back numbers from September on and to receive regular future issues. I have no idea what the cost of the subscription would be but if you will send me a bill I will forward a check immediately.

There is great interest in America over the Italian situation and equally great ignorance. I find that people are for and against the present Government, largely on instinct without any very clear idea of that which fascinated me particularly, and that was the attempt to build a new state without too greatly disturbing the existing one. I suppose that is a fair way to state it, is it not? If you should know of anything particularly interesting, written on the corporate-state, I would be most glad to have it, as well as your impression as to how things are going on.

I saw Mrs. Shelby the other day. It was Mrs. Shelby, you remember, who presented me to you in the first place. I told her of our talks and of my obligations to you. She wanted me to send her sincere regards when I was writing. I have had a letter also from Mr. Alber to whom I wrote while I was in Rome about a lecture tour for you here. He told me that he had written to you.

I hope, dear Mme Agresti, that you are well and not overworking, also that I may have the pleasure of seeing you again, either her or in Italy. With all good wishes,

Very sincerely,

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