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Dear Pal.

I have not heard from you in answer to my last two letters so I presume that probably your wife has been sick. I hope so for your sake, as it will

relieve your anxiety.

Well now, Ottley for definite news. I just returned from Montreal where I was an official at a big lifting affair, where Giroux attempted to break the records of Cyr & Barre on certain lifts, & also to see Snyder fixed up with Marineau, & they will meet on the 26 of this month.

Now Ottley, with your wife being sick, she will need to recuperate, & I thought it would be better if I stayed here till Snyder has his match, & then come right on to you, for as you say we may need him for future uses. He seems very grateful for what I have done for him, & with you being an old pal of his, he will be eager to co-operate with us.

Now you spoke of financial conditions to handle our course, & I did not say much, as I wanted us to look on the sure side of things & get all we could out of the fairs etc. I have quite a bit of money out on credit for work, & as I said I own this place & a car, & when I leave I shall have all up for sale, & when it is sold we will have lots of money to start the course.

As regards your share in this, that we can arrange, for you to get half the profits just the same, & buy your share of original expenses later, & if we get more from the fairs, we will not need this, but will be both ready for it all.

I am not going to write much Ottley, for the simple reason I hope we will soon be together, & then we will have to be very busy arranging things, as you know we will want pamphlets & photos, & not only this, but prepare for the lay out of a course, & have it all ready, & I want us to work on that book too, because I think I can get some firm to handle it for us, on a royalty basis, & besides working up our acts, we will be busy.

I have had the offer of another proposition which I think will be a good opening for all our material, it is connected with physical work, but as it is not thoroughly organised yet, I do not know particulars, as they were very vague, just stating they had a good proposition to lay before me soon, & could use a lot of my stuff, which means ours.

One thing we want to realize Ottley. We do not a hand turn for nothing only where we see that we profit. If anybody wants lessons from us in Pittsburg

let them pay for it, & before we do the work.

If you have not located anything before I come, we can locate it when I get there. I saw the two ads you marked out in your papers.

That Feb: issue of Earles has satisfied me that he is only playing me along, as I never had only three inquires, & you can see there is no request for pupils to sign up thru me. I do not blame Earle for his business ways, but I am not going to let anybody else make profit out of me. We are going to try for that for ourselves, & believe me Ottley I mean to work hard to make things go, & for us to get all the money we can when I come.

I would just like you to write & tell me if you want me to bring both my bar-bells or just the one. It is no use bringing more than I have to.

There is some things I can have shipped on after if we find we need them.

I have a new stunt for statuesque posing. I have a great big picture frame made, so to pose inside of it. A picture within a picture. We can both work famous art poses in it. It is original, & in this act we do not have to paint, as we represent paintings, & of course appear in the nude.

This is original & should take good on vaudeville turns or for indoor events. Now just write & tell me by return if you think it best for me to come right after the 26, & what bells to bring, & all will be settled.

I will let you know the day I leave here. Do not make your letter long as your hands will be full. Just write O.K. & three or four lines.

I am sending you another sub: & suppose you got the others & the returned cheque with the record certificate. I answered the subscribers so you do not have to acknowledge them unless you like.

I am arranging call now for leaving here, getting out accounts & closing up my business. I havent done anything here all winter.

I hope your wife is well, & am looking forward to the time when I shall see you, as I will tell you honestly I am banking big on our future & will spare no efforts on my part, & know you will not. We have to make a living & some more, & we know each other exactly & know we can work for each others interests safely.

Well goodbye for now old man, & write soon please, just a few lines.

As ever your old pal.

*Subs for J N Bastow
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Send Bernard his sub: for mag.

George

PS

If you have any fellows there who would like to learn lifting etc let them form together & tell them we will run one, we may make a few dollars in spare time. Tell them we will teach everything (pay in advance). If we break a few records first & get local press publicity we can draw attention. Anyway we will make a tour & see the sports editors first. thing - I have another big picture for you of me, a Nancy, will bring it