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WOLMER WOOD,

MARLOW COMMON,

MARLOW, BUCKS.

May 17th 1918.

Dear Mrs de Laszlo

I was delighted to hear about the nursing home — I am sorry of course that Mr de Laszlo's condition of health makes a nursing home necessary but I feel that anything which will get him out of his deadly surroundings at Holloway is to be welcomed. It was quite time that he had a change; I found him, when I saw him last, looking, as I thought, very much the worse for his confinement and I felt much worried about him. I hope, though, that he will soon get back his health and spirits in more pleasant surroundings.

I quite agree with you about the wisdom of silence about the move; I will be careful, as it will be better to have no renewal of the bitter newspaper crusade — that was, I think, one of the worst features of the case, as so much of the comment that appeared was deliberately misrepresented.

The petition Jerome tells me you would like kept quiet in case it may

be wanted later on. It is all ready,
so we can move in that matter
whenever you and Sir Charles Russell
think it advisable. Luckily your
letter just reached me in time,
as I had all my copies of the
petition ready addressed and was
going to post them on the actual
day your letter came — I have
about a hundred copies ready
to send to artists of repute whom
I know personally, so if the necessity
does arise later on it will be possible
to test fairly well the professional
opinion and feeling.

Give Mr de Laszlo my love,
please, when you see him next,
and my best wishes for a speedy
and complete recovery. I hope
I may have an opportunity to
see him again soon and that
I shall find him then more his
old self.

I hope the boys are all well
again.

With our kindest regards

Sincerely yours

A. K. Waldry.