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Professor Denys Page
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Dear Page:

I have been delayed (much longer than I had expected) in answering your nice letter of 9 September, hoping to be able to tell you of the completion of our manuscript. Well, now it is finished and we recently sent it off to Mr. Mansbridge, in New York, who will no doubt forward it promptly to Cambridge if he has not already done so.

You were very kind to say that you will be able to watch over the fortunes of our manuscript at the Cambridge Press, and this guardianship Mrs. Friedman and I heartily welcome. But I hope you will believe me when I affirm that you are too modest in saying: "I'm afraid I shall hardly feel competent to judge your book," because the cryptologic content thereof is really not at all complicated, as you shall see soon for yourself, I hope.

Of course, Professor Vincent will also be quite competent to assess and make a technical appreciation of our work, and I'm sure there are others still in Cambridge or in London who were engrossed during World War II in the work of G.C. & C.S. and who could be called upon, if advisable, to assist in appraising the cryptologic content of the manuscript.

I expect to be in London soon again and I hope we will be able to get together, either in London or in Cambridge. I was certainly sorry to miss you last August.

With cordial greetings, and best wishes for the New Year, I am,

Sincerely,

WILLIAM F. FRIEDMAN