ANEXO A

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Dear Dr. Lisbôa:

We have just returned from an extended trip, entirely in the interests of the Escola . First we went to Atlanta where there was a young Canadian who seemed to be especially well fitted for the position of Zootechnia. Unfortunately his wife was a Georgian and she was afraid to risk going so far away from home and being among strangers. She would undoubtedly have decided in favor of going if Dona Effie had been there to help her through. I think it is better that she did not go, than if she had gone and had been "homesick". She has never been far from home and much among strangers.

Then we went up to Washington where we made inquiries and searched for men that would probably make good in Brasil. Among others we heard of a young man by the name of Hambleton (E. J.) We met his brother who is Chief of the section of Apiculture with the Federal Government. Apiculture has been developed more highly there than anywhere else. We asked Mr. Hambleton to get in touch with his brother and find out whether the younger man was really interested in going to Brasil. Both of them, it seems, had been much interested in finding a position somewhere in South America. The father of these young men had joined a party of exploration into Chile many years ago. In place of returning at the end of the explorations, he accepted a position there as professor in sciences. During his teaching he married a Chilean lady . Afterwards they moved to Ohio where they are engaged in farming. They have lived in Ohio more than 28 years. After all of this time the young folks have a desire to go back to South America.

The young man is a graduate of the Ohio University and has taken his Master's degree (M. S.) with Cornell University, and is registered at present for his doctorate degree. His specialization is on spider mites. He is 28 years old and graduated in 1926. As he has lived on a farm all his life he is perfectly familiar with farm and the difficulties entailed. He knows also a great deal about the practical work of controlling insects which he has gotten from actual experience. This year he has had charge of a dozen or more large orchards in Niagara County where it is his duty to see that the spraying mixtures are properly prepared, applied at the right time and finally to check over the results, and ascertain the results. From this you see that he has been working with the practical problems in the control of insects. He is very strong on practical entomology, rather than a classifier of insects. He has also had experience in teaching. All around I found him one of the best prepared men that I have met in entomology.

Dr. Phillips, the Chief of Apiculture in Cornell University told me that Hambleton was very strong in practical and scientific apiculture. I have asked him to look into the matter of securing modern equipment for this work in order that we might take it with us when we sail.

Mr. A. S. Muller, altho his name is German, looks very much like a North American and I think his ancestors must have been in this country quite a long time. He has just completed three years in Porto Rico, where he has been engaged in Plant Pathological work. His special interest in Porto Rico was in the diseases of coffee. All of the crops in that country are very similar to those in Brasil, especially in the State of Minas Geraes. We were very fortunate in Mr. Muller's case because if we had been two days later he would have signed up a contract with Porto Rico to return there for another three years work. He was however very much attracted to the Brasilian position as that would give him the position as chief of the depart - ment and a much larger area to work over. He has done very fine work in Porto Rico and would like to have gone back to have completed some of the work that he had started there. The kind of teaching work he has done in Porto Rico is just along the line that we need at the Escola in Minas . His practical work in Phytopathology has been with the coffee growers so it will not be difficult for him to adapt himself to the practical fazendeiros in Minas.

He is a graduate of Cornell University and has also taken his Masters degree from Cornell University. He is now paying the expenses of a sister thru University. From this you see Mr. Muller is a man who thinks of the comforts and advancement of others.

He is very much interested in tennis, so I hope you will have a number of courts ready so that he may give the students some good instruction in this sport. He has been out in the sun so much that he looks like the son of a "caipira". He has had three years experience in Spanish which he speaks quite fluently . With a little practise he will undoubtedly be able to make himself quite well understood, by the Brasilian students.

I have told Mr. Muller to look into the matter of securing such scientific apparatus as will make it possible for his department to begin to function at once in research work. In the mean time you can see to it that the tables, chairs, gas connections, and other things are in order in the Phytopathological laboratory.

Mr. A. O. Rhoad , graduate of Pennsylvania, got his M. S. degree in Dairying at Cornell University. He belongs to the old Dutch family of Pennsylvania, having been born and raised on a farm. At the present time he is doing teaching work in Animal Husbandry in Cornell. He is especially strong on taking care of milk products, especially butter making and cheese making. He has had considerable experience with cooperative creameries.