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DR. MAWSON,
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A D E L A I D E

Dear Sir,

In reply to your further communication of the 14th with regard to the rumour concerning Mr. Hurley's condition, you will have before this have received 2 Medical Certificates. Mr. Hurley assures me that there is absolutely no truth whatever in any rumour that may be current, that he has Lung trouble. He is much exercised to learn the source whence the rumour comes, and we think you may take it that it is not correct. For your own sake as well as our own, we want to see you have the right man on the expedition, for it would be not only a direct monetary loss, both to your expedition, and our company as well as more particularly a source of great embarrassment and did ~~wight~~ for you to carry, if you unfortunately took away a man in any way weak, or unfit. To the best of our knowledge, Mr. Hurley is well and sound, but you will have an opportunity to examine Mr. Hurley's condition before he actually leaves with the expedition.

So far as Mr. Hurley's abilities as a Photographer are concerned, ~~we~~ in our opinion is the better man of the 2 that you mention. Our own man ~~was~~ a Cinematographer, we are quite prepared to place against almost anyone you care to name in this country.

Now we want you to please take the following words or two of advice in the spirit they are intended. We are perfectly willing for Primmer to go with you if you desire, but really we hardly think that it would be necessary and to your benefit, to take him in addition to Hurley. We think in thus advising we are consulting your interests quite as much as our own. By the time that we have got through with Hurley, he will know perfectly well what is to be done and how to get the best results

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with the Cinematograph Camera. Of the two you would say that physically Primmer is a stronger man. The journey that he has just accomplished is a most trying and difficult one, and has undoubtedly got him into good condition.

If there is any further information that you are in need of, please advise us at once, and we will endeavour to the best of our ability to help you in any way.

With compliments,

Believe us, remain,
Sincerely yours,

For THE GAUMONT AGENCY,

H. Bent. Manager.