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Dear Doctor Bousfield: Your last letter was received on March 30 th. Upon your suggestion I visited the three mentioned persons Dr. Schenck, Dr. Beeler and Dr. Weidner of the city health department.

First however I established myself to do practice, having settled in a much more favorable location than before. Incidentally I am continuing my old work at the Atlanta Tuberculosis Association Clinic and am attending regularly some of the clinics at Grady Hospital, notably the V.D. pre-natal and Rectal disease clinics.

I just took this on myself and went up there. When my baby was sick in the hospital I had made acquaintance with a number of internes and house physicians and they invited me to come. The Emory students in these clinics were especially cordial and asked questions as to my school?, how long I had been practicing etc?

Dr. Beeler was friendly and said he had been trying to think of your name. It seems that Dr. Campbell had called him and inquired of your name. I gave him the name and address. He spoke about the meeting at which Dent came up and spoke about a Negro unit, and asked what had become of the committee. I couldn't answer this of course. Neither did I mention about attending the clinics myself.

Dr. Schenck was cordial and took my address when I told him I was located in practice. Dr. Weidner talked encouragingly about promoting some clinics and I am expecting to hear from him in about ten days upon something definite in that direction. No doubt he will have opposition from the old heads in that department who have monopolized it for years but I believe that he has offered more encouragement than the rest.

So this is about the situation here in few words. A good many of our city doctors are away at Savannah now at the Georgia State Medical Association meeting. I think on the whole that I am getting along fairly well for a new start. I suppose you know that Drs Powell and Linder had passed. Dr. Powell had two young fellows working with him and I think they are helping out well. I go by occasionally myself to offer help.

I received an invitation today to the first annual conference of Negro Tuberculosis Workers to be held Washington June 5, 6 and 7th. Is there a chance for a per diem

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to this conference ?

Well I'll close hoping to hear from you at your
convenience or to see you when passing this way.

Very truly yours,

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