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Dear Mr. Ferrater Mora,

A very happy New Year to you and your family! I hope that your summer trip to Europe was a good one, and that the duties of introducing adolescent girls to the rigors of philosophy have not spoiled your autumn!

I continue to study the more physical side of man in medicine, in which I am now at the stage of a sort of apprenticeship, going each day to the hospital, seeing patients (under supervision) and following full-fledged Medicine Men around as they [*mimster?*] to the sick.

I love it, mainly because I enjoy the people, the immediacy of the problems, the tough scientific questions behind the problems. I hope to combine chemical experience with related research.

Love to your wife and Jaime (By the way, my partner in instruction, a fellow student, from Costa Rica, is named "Jaime" and is everlastingly grateful to me for pronouncing his name with some approximation of Spanish! – all of which I owe to your son!)

May this be a good year for all of you.

Till I see you again,

Yours sincerely,

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