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Dear Professor Romay

Thank you so much for the new Edition of the "Religion". It is very good of you to think of the men on outpost duty and their need of literature. I could have made this acknowledgment before, but I wanted to compare the two editions and see in what points you had considered it could be improved, thinking that thereby I might discover a little more of your mind and tendency. The reduction of the illustrations to a smaller scale is a great

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improvement I think, as they were well able to bear it, and they now interfere less with the text.

I wish I could have returned the Compliment by sending you a volume of mine, but the difficulty of getting any firm to do adequate colour reproduction in either hemisphere is holding me back indefinitely.

Meanwhile I am going ahead with several toms and I think a few years will see a great inroad made in the private toms here, and there is a good prospect that what survived till 1910 will eventually see publication. I have been obliged to devote a very great deal of time to colour work in toms otherwise very uninteresting but this year I have been engaged in Puenra where there is historical

and inscriptimal material of much
interest. In a few weeks I start
for the basin to work there on the
temple of Hibe for a few weeks.
Unless I am obliged to come to
Germany to see the work of the
colour-lithographers there, I fear
I shall not be able to visit Berlin
this year. "Man never is, but always
to be blest"!

It has been a great pleasure to
have Berlin here in the form of
Wiegand and his wife, Sardinia
too, and Frau Feilheimer.

I hope the Dictemay goes on apace
that you keep your health &
and ours. Believe me

with warmly and to Frau Roman
Yours affectionately
Yours N. de Gaudance