

5th August

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My dear Stapleton,

Your D. O. No. 1523 of the 5th.

It is true that the Round Table Conference has been postponed till November, but if my suggestions were accepted, the Congress party would have decided by the time the University and the Colleges reopen whether they are going to take part in the conference. If they are, then no further trouble need be expected for a time and we shall avoid 3 weeks at least of trouble during September. If they are not going to take part, there will, I suppose, be much disturbance throughout India ; but even then it is possible that the futility of picketing colleges, about which there is known to have been much division of opinion among the Congress people, may have made itself plain to them. My feeling, therefore, is that by my suggestion about the Pujahs a good deal may be gained and nothing can be lost.

Yours sincerely,

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D. P. I. Bengal.

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J. A. Hamm

Calcutta.

The 21st July 1930

Offg. Principal,  
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