

1, Vassar Street
Cambridge, Mass, U.S.A.

6th March 1927

My dear father,

Yours dated the 3rd February from
Wellman to hand on 3rd instant. I
think this shall be the last letter that I
shall be writing to you in English. Champa has
been bitterly complaining of her inability to
make anything of my letters in English. She is
perfectly right. I am sorry that I was ever
persuaded to write letters in English. I know
there are many more persons who will
feel interested in my letters written in Eng-
 Gujarati than those who follow them in
English. I know Champa is away by
this time, however there are others who
will surely like to see the original letter.
You will please therefore forgive me if
I do not comply with your desire any
more. However that does not justify a bar
on your writing letters in English if you
wish it. You are quite welcome to do so.

I think you got my last week's letters.
There were two. Can I hope that you
have moved in the matter. Let me not
tell you that time is against us and so
we must not allow it to slip by. I know
you are not the man to do so.

The weather continues fine. We had no snow nor rain last week, though a storm at sea brought us a rather strong wind. The temperature shows now about 32° but the days are clear and bright and they are lengthening. Birds have come in harbingering the advent of the spring. Four weeks more and we shall be out of the winter which though so not severe this year is however an experience with a man from the tropics. The spring which we hardly have in our part will rather be a pretty long affair over here. It is beautiful shall be inviting, but I think I have undertaken rather a heavy load this term. Last term I was not able to take more work as I had no preparation for same. So between the two terms, the burden seems to be unevenly distributed. But I have to make best of the job. I do not feel in the least discouraged; I am simply relating my experiences.

A habit of self-reliance is sought to be trained to a high degree in this institute, and so at times it becomes difficult for a student to make his way.

I have the Electric Laboratory this year. We receive practically no help from the instructing staff. We have to make best of what we can. The books are more, the references are more, and we have to use them and hold on. Every American

has some practical experience of Elec,
 but you can well understand my
 deficiency. That puts me to some disadvantage.
 Some Americans even have to put in 70
 hours work for three hours work. What to
 say of me. Last week an experiment
 scheduled for three hours cost me eight
 and the same is the case with the other, while
 my hand has got used to drawing, my
 drawings this term are underlined with
 great difficulty and I spend hours and
 hours without drawing a single line. Thus
 much more time has to be put in
 than estimated for. That makes me
 keep on running from subject to subject.
 These are difficulties not time and
 patience alone can surmount them. Last
 term's experience has made my work
 quite easy in physics and chemistry
 labs and I work there with great
 confidence and ease. This term's
 experience will ease me out with the
 Elec Lab that will continue one for
 two, three terms more.

The expenditure for the month of
 Feb is as under

Tees	: - Dollars 155 - 00
Books etc	34 - 72
Lodg, Board etc	42 - 03
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Mr. M. Gunder is a Bengali, so also is
our Bose. Now I am messing with our
Gunder and I think our food is quite
rich and nutritious. Bananas form a good
part of our meals. Now I hardly find
time to return home for lunch. So I carry
sandwiches: Bread with preserves, jellies
and honey. We are also regularly taking
fruit. So you need not feel too much
concerned about it. This much experience
now tells me that my monthly expenses
will range about forty dollars.

I do not know when I shall be
able to get the necessary information from
Lange. However I shall try to get as
soon as possible. He and I are equally
busy.

With respects

Yours truly

Trikanlal

Mr. Mozunder is a Bengali, so also is
 my Bose. Now I am messing with Mr.
 Mozunder and I think our food is quite
 rich and nutritious. I can't form a good
 part of our meals. Now I hardly find
 time to return home for lunch. So I carry
 sandwiches: Bread with preserves, jellies
 and honey. We are also regularly taking
 fruit. So you need not feel in least
 concerned about it. This much experience
 now tells me that my monthly expenses
 will range about forty dollars.

I do not know when I shall be
 able to get the necessary information from
 Mr. Kanga. However I shall try to get as
 soon as possible. He and I are equally
 busy.

With respects

Yours truly

Trikanlal