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December 31, 1958  
Ehrwald, Tyrol, Austria

Dear John, -

let me hope that my cable did prompt you to forgive me. It contained nothing but the gospel truth. Actually, I have been rather ill and cannot even say that I have fully - or nearly - recovered. It's a complicated sort of thing involving all my tender little bones as well as my imposing muscles: nor does the rest of the old organism function the way it should. After many a unsuccessful effort in Switzerland, I went to Vienna where a collaborator of the famous Dr. Niehaus kept supplying me with enormous amounts of "Humanplacenta". Now, I am supposed to recuperate to a certain degree only to return within six or seven weeks to Vienna and that medical wizzard of mine.

Much belated thanks for your letter of November 13th. Sorry things don't look so bright regarding my juveniles. However three is a number of which I think very highly and so I love you to offer my "quartet of travelbooks" (as Dodds oddly call them) to just one more publisher. No faster has the chosen one refused our offering, than I beg you to return the "Zugvögel" to me. As the books are at present out of print I should be very glad to get them back.

Thanks also for the ad regarding "The Last Year". While I have no idea whether the book is selling at all, I was most pleasantly surprised by its reception in your fair country. Some of those reviews were both rewarding and moving.

Yours as ever:

