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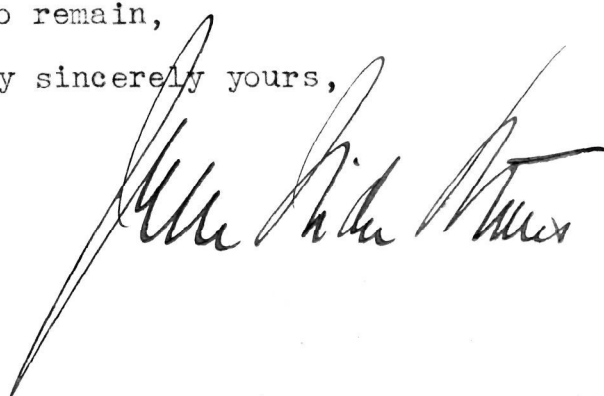
PERSONAL.

Dear Mr. Minister:

I have your letter of the 16th. Mr. Clark is due back here on Saturday, December 21st, and you may be sure that we shall pursue what appears to us at the time to be the wisest course with respect to the envelope you gave Mr. Clark addressed to Ambassador Bingham and containing a private letter for Mr. Phillips.

With best wishes to you and Mrs. Messersmith for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, in which Mrs. Straus joins, I beg to remain,

Very sincerely yours,



The Honorable
George S. Messersmith,
American Minister,
Vienna.