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Dear Doctor Gray:

This letter is to summarize for you, the history and findings of Miss. Gabriella Mistral, 57, a Chilean poet, who is now residing in Santa Barbara. I have referred her to you for care.

H.C.: Headaches, frequency, polyuria and polydipsia and vague abdominal pains, off and on, for about six weeks prior to my seeing her.

P.I.: She presented herself to me because she thought her symptoms represented relapse of an E. histolytica dysentery contracted 12 years ago in Brazil. She complained of loss of appetite, vague abdominal distress, intermittent episodes of constipation, nausea and malaise, which she thinks were occasionally associated with fever, no diarrhea or dysentery at any time.

Primary complaints on first visits however, were polyuria, polydipsia, malaise and headache, accompanied by some itching of the skin but not of the vulva.

F.H.: Father died, accident
Mother died, age 83, cause, pneumonia?
1 sister died 5 months ago, age 72, cause?

She has never married. She is part Indian and was brought up in a high, remote mountain valley of Chile.

P.H.: She is Chilean, poet laureate and Nobel prize winner. The past many years she has travelled widely and had a variety of medical care in sundry countries which is hard to evaluate.

E.T.: Colic and sinus trouble in Brazil and Europe - none recently.

Eyes: Occasional "blind" spells, associated with constipation.

Head: frequent severe headaches, especially recently.

Chest: no cough, sputum, or hemoptysis.

B.P.: Has been treated for hypertension from time to time, the past 10-12 years.

Heart: has had episodes of ankle swelling in past but says not recently.

Abd.: - see P.I.

Operations: - Appendicitis - none other.

G.U.: - See P.I. re polyuria, etc. no other difficulty.

N.M.: - See P.I. no tingling, motor difficulty or staggering.

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[manuscrito] Gabriela Mistral.

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Mistral, Gabriela, 1889-1957

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