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Mr. Alexander Cowen
250 W. 104th St.
New York City

Dear Mr. Cowen:

I am in receipt of your recent letter and regret that I could not answer it sooner.

May I at first thank you very much for the answer given to Dr. Kaminetsky in regard to the criticism of the text books. As soon as we can free ourselves somewhat from the immediate work entailed in the opening of the new school term we shall answer this report in detail.

Concerning Dr. Kaminetsky's request for the Tefillin booklets, please inform us as to whether he is to be sent the material gratis, whether a bill for the full amount is to be sent or whether a discount is to be granted. The regular price is 20¢ per copy, taking into account the cost involved.

We have reprinted, separately, upon popular request, the "Laws Concerning Tefillin". Enclosed you will find a copy. If more copies are desired we shall be glad to supply same immediately.

One of the great Hassidic rabbis once connected the subject of Tefillin with that of Rosh Hashona. He cited the Talmud (Berachoth 6a) that the Almighty also wears Tefillin in which are written the praises and virtues of the Jewish nation. Since the Almighty must wear kosher Tefillin it follows that He must forgive all our sins, so that the praises of Israel in His Tefillin may be true.

I take this opportunity to wish you and Mrs. Cowen a *Keiva Vachasim Tova*.

Sincerely yours,

Rabbi M. Schneerson
Chairman, Executive Committee

P.S. Is our letter to Dr. Kaminetsky to be addressed Rabbi Dr. or just Dr. Kaminetsky?