My dear Kapteyn,

Yours of the 25th instant has just reached me. I suppose before this letter gets to Groningen you will be on your way to America. The Dallmeyer lens employed for the C.P.D. is still at the Cape Observatory. I do not know that it would be of very great value to rephotograph the sky at some future time with that object glass. We should get far better results from rephotographing with the ordinary astrographic telescopes. I imagine the accuracy would be of the order of 3 or 4 to 1 with the larger instrument and the taking of a series of short exposure plates for the whole sky would not be a very serious matter.

If you can get a few names in America of persons willing to subscribe for the Franklin-Adams plates it will be a good thing. I think, however, there will be little difficulty in getting 10 subscribers.

I saw Woods of the Johannesburg Observatory after he was with you and he is quite keen about carrying out the co-operation with you which you suggested. Don't forget to convey my kindest remembrances to any of the mutual friends you are sure to meet during your short visit
to America. My wife joins me in kindest remembrances.

Ever thine,

DavidBliss