the recommendation of the Government of India H.M.'s Secretary of State for India agreed to sanction the proposals which were to secure me a period of deputation on special duty sufficient for the arrangement of my Collection and for the first elaboration of the results of my expedition. The preliminary account I was able to give of them before the Royal Geographical Society was followed within two months of my return by the award of its Founder's Gold Medal for the geographical work accomplished. And last but not least, there was gratifying assurance that tried friends and collaborators among the most competent scholars were willing to help me with the tasks which, as far as it lay in me, have now been brought to an end.

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