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Dayton Industrial Supply Co.,  
257 Wayne Ave.,  
Dayton, Ohio

Att: Buyer of Shears and Snips

Gentlemen:

Early in the year we decided to commemorate the occasion of our 100th Anniversary by publishing a history of J. Wiss & Sons Co. As the research developed it became more and more apparent that the history of J. Wiss & Sons Co. had roots in very remote developments. Furthermore, because of our 100 year association with cutlery and a position of leadership during much of that time, the history of Wiss becomes a part of the story of shears and scissors, just as the history of shears and scissors becomes a part of the story of Wiss.

We also discovered that there was not, so far as we could find -- and at least in the English language -- any single volume relating to the origin and development of shears and scissors as an art or as an industry. We therefore decided that we could make both an interesting and a scholarly contribution by gathering together all the data available and concentrating them within the covers of one book. This has finally been accomplished, and we are sending you a book entitled "A Story of Shears and Scissors," embracing the period from 300 B.C. to 1948 A.D.

We hope you will like this book, which is dedicated jointly to you and our employees.

Cordially yours,

J. WISS & SONS CO.

B. E. Bostwick  
Sales Manager.

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*Felix*  
*Bull*  
*Jim*

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