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333 CEDAR STREET
NEW HAVEN CONNECTICUT

27 December 1946

Dear Bill:

I am greatly pleased to know that the Percival reached you on Christmas Eve and that it was new to you. I only wish that it could have been in full morocco, but as usual I didn't get around to thinking about Christmas until a day or two before hand. It somehow crept up on me.

You asked about Arnold Muirhead. He gave up schoolmastering last summer and became a director of Peter Murray Hill, Ltd. It seems that there are three directors in the establishment--Peter Murray Hill, Peter's wife, and Arnold. He sank what savings he had in the firm as capital and he is now busily engaged in issuing catalogues. His first ones have been very attractive but they have had the effect of reducing the number of letters which come in that well-known hand.

He sounds very happy in the new work as he was feeling stale as a schoolmaster, and I think he also felt that there was no future for him under the new Labor government. He had missed one or two headmasterships and having thus been passed over, he felt that he should make a change before it was too late. I think the decision was a wise one as I know his friends will all back him up. Geoffrey Keynes sounded a little startled at first as he has the usual British reaction to anyone in the trade, but I don't think this should worry Arnold too much as most people aren't quite as hidebound as our Geoffrey. Did you realize, by the way, that G.L.K. is in his last year at Bart's and will retire next year on account of age? It seems incredible!

Thanks for the sidelight on Bill Gibson. I had an amusing note from him which didn't tell me very much except that matrimony was imminent. He did not even mention her name, and fancy omitting to tell of her superior degree from Perugia!:

Our chief item of news is that the Klebs books have arrived--last Friday--in 165 boxes with 22,000 items. The customs cleared them two days ago and we are now unpacking them. What a systematic fellow he was! His notes, always concise, would be an example to any scholar. It is really most thrilling to see the final realization of H.C.'s dream. When they are unpacked and sorted, I hope we may induce you to come down to have a look at them.

A Christmas present almost as nice as the Klebs books arrived on the 24th in the form of a wonderful letter from Sir Charles. My immodesty is such that I feel impelled to share it with you as I know it will bring you almost as much pleasure as it has brought me. Fancy writing such a letter at the age of 89!

Devotedly always,

P.S. I am enclosing a story which is too confidential and indecent for Elizabeth's ears. I hope you have a Happy New Year.

OSLER LIBRARY,
11 Dec., 1946.

Dr. John F. Fulton,
Historical Library,
335 Cedar Street,
New Haven,
Conn., U. S. A.

Dear John,

I enclose two bills for photostats. If it is not too complicated for you, it would be more convenient for me to have two cheques, one payable to me for the \$5.90 (for the Simpson), which I paid in Sept., the other payable to McGill University for \$10.50. But one cheque to me for \$16.40, if you prefer.

Annual meeting tomorrow. So I have no other ideas at the moment.

I hear you're blogging again already - Silly-man, except that you do it so darned well.

Yours ever,

Bill

WFF:CD

*My cheque for \$5.90 was received 8.1.47.
I telephoned Mr. Simpson's office to explain
that of the received an unexplained cheque
for \$10.50 for Yale. It should be refunded
to U. V. L. a/c -
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*W. W. F.
8.1.47.*

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OSLER LIBRARY,
19 Nov., 1946.

Miss Madeline Stanton,
The Historical Library,
333 Cedar Street,
New Haven,
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Dear

I'm returning with thanks the "History of the physiology of muscle." We found our copy - they hadn't looked for it in the pamphlet file - just after the said Richner left. I don't care if he never comes back. His name should be Shylock or Rosenberg. He sold me an Italian pig-in-a-poker. I've forgotten the price - not much - just published, a little unbound pamphlet", sez he. The bill, with library discount, was \$6.75. Probably cost him a U. S. dime the dozen in Italy.

I was not what a nephew spelled supperised at your not condoning with me over my latest escapade, which wasn't worth condonation, but I refuse to condone your not taking your busman's holiday in the O. L. as you promised. If you put off the visit till after my dissolution, I warn you that I'll materialize myself in the mortician's false-front suit and show you round regardless!

Glad to hear you've at last taken a stand and thrown that knitting needle into the Dynamo. I prefer medical history myself but, after all, physiology must still have some claims. You remember the two wings of the Clarendon Press building, "the learned end" and "the Bible end"? You could call your two corridors the physy (fizzy) and the busy ends - that might help make him correct the balance!

I'm not allowed to take any care of myself. It's thoroughly overdone for me. Watch me go to ease the A. M. Directory off the shelf. I get shoved to one side with a narsty look.

I haven't listened to your jukesy-Koussy friend lately. Did you ever tell him about Beethoven? He has heard of Mozart, but seems to think he's tolerable only in the summer!

We just discovered an old cabinet of microscopic slides used in the Histology dpt. here in W. O.'s time - some dated 1881 &c. - none, so far, prepared by him. In drawer 3, mostly entozoa, I find one labelled, "Under portion of shield of Limulus occidentalis. Newhaven, Conn. Polariscope" - What Churchill would doubtless call the soft under-belly of the king-crab. But I look at it askance (which is the meaning of limus), remembering that soft-shell crab that got me at Eleanor's last New Year's!

WWF:CD

W.F.
R.W.

YALE

Laboratory of Physiology,
333 Cedar Street,
New Haven 11, Connecticut.
18 November 1946.

My dear Bill + Hilda

WHEN I wrote you last year at this time, I was optimistic enough to hope we would all be more or less back to normal by Christmas of 1946. Perhaps we are, but the unrest that seems so widespread has to a certain extent affected the Laboratory and the School; yet I am still inclined to think that in the long run spiritual upheavals such as we are now witnessing are probably all to the good.

The Laboratory, for example, has had more changes in personnel during the past year than at any time since it was reorganized in 1930, and while we keenly miss many familiar faces, the appearance of new ones has brought fresh points of view which, if such changes do not occur too rapidly, are inevitably in our best interests. After January Robert Clarke spent six months with Dr. Homer Smith at New York University and is now physiologist to the Armored Medical Research Laboratories at Fort Knox. In March Charlotte Peters, from considerations of grandchildren and her own health, withdrew as Librarian of the Department after nearly fifteen years of devoted service during which she not only edited all the papers published in the Department but she also helped to rear the *Journal of Neurophysiology*, seeing it through its first eight volumes. Harry Patton, who had been here for five years, first as graduate student and then as instructor, has gone to spend two years with Curt Richter, Phil Bard, and Clinton Woolsey at Johns Hopkins, and since Hsiang-Tung Chang, who took his Ph.D. with us last June, has also gone to Baltimore for a year, we are to have a strong and welcome link with our colleagues at the Hopkins.

You will all be greatly interested to hear that Ted Ruch who came to the Laboratory first in 1932 and completed his Ph.D. here in 1933 was called during the summer to the Chair of Physiology at the newly created Medical School of the University of Washington in Seattle. Ted, who came originally from Eugene, Oregon, and Helen, whose home was in Vancouver, are thus returning under pleasant circumstances to their native haunts. We miss them keenly but we wish them every possible success in their pioneering venture.

Staff replacements have been exceedingly difficult. Leslie Nims, who, as director of the Aviation Unit, has been on leave of absence since the beginning of the war, has been brought back into the Department in the vacancy left by Ted Ruch. I am very glad to record that Dr. Samuel Gelfan has joined the Department in November with half-time work in the Altitude Unit. In Harry Patton's place

we have been particularly fortunate in securing the services of Robert B. Livingston who, after two years' service with the Navy in the Pacific, has decided to go into neurophysiology as an academic career. Also new in the Unit are Eleanor Eddy, formerly lieutenant in the USNR attached to the low pressure unit at Cherry Hill, and Lee Shaw, a research assistant, who has lived most of her life in China and speaks and writes the Mandarin dialect. Mary Wheeler, who saw the new edition of Howell through the press, has taken Charlotte Peters' post as departmental librarian. She also edits the *Journal* and is helping to arrange for the contemplated sixteenth edition of Howell for which copy will be needed by November 1947.

Of the regular staff members left, I emerged from the Historical Library during the summer with the Cushing biography completed, and according to latest intelligence reports, I am seen quite frequently in the Lab corridor and more frequently than Kerby seems to care for down in the operating room. During the summer Victor Soriano, a Rockefeller Fellow from Montevideo, and I have been working on functional localization in the anterior cerebellum and on interrelations between the anterior lobe and areas 4 and 6. The problem is really red-hot, and I think you will be interested in the results which we hope to write up very shortly. Bob Livingston and I have developed a new approach to the orbital surface of the frontal lobes which permits sharply circumscribed ablations of any part, and we hope to have a significant story to tell at the Frontal Lobe meetings of the ARNMD in December 1947. We have a hunch that the enthusiastic lobotomists had better watch out for the posterior orbital surface, if they don't want to make their manics more so.

Don Barron, in addition to his arduous labors as Assistant Dean of the School, manages to operate on his recently impregnated sheep and to do amazing things to the CNS in utero—this and much else. David Hitchcock came to our rescue at the time of the Howell christening party on January 8th, 1946, as the only member of the Department who could produce a corkscrew; but I hasten to add that his protein studies also flourish despite this somewhat damaging act of heroism. John Brobeck is working industriously at the hyperphagia problem and on other phases of metabolism and heat regulation; he is also directing a research contract for the Quartermaster Corps. Harold Lampport, whose chapter on hemodynamics in the Howell has caused such a stir, wound up his ballistics contract with the War Department on the first of October and is embarking on a research program in hemodynamics. Marvin Schoor who had been assigned by the War Department to assist in the ballistics work, after a brief spell at the Edgewood Arsenal, is now continuing studies for a Ph.D. at Yale. Kay Hart "rides the hurri-

cane and directs the storm" in my office, ably assisted by Frances Coogan in the front office.

Kerby continues as the unofficial instructor in neurological surgery and the pressure of work down in the operating room has become such that we are attempting, in the interests of the peace, to find him an understudy. Carl Clark and Eddie Bruchman have not ceased to speak their particular dialect of chimp-macaque and they also produce food for the colony with the same air of quiet mystery that has always seemed to surround these negotiations. DDT has completely solved the cockroach problem, and thirty-six new chromium trays have given the macaques a more aristocratic feeling as they perform their daily functions.

Our two journals thrive, and have become completely solvent, largely as a result of increase of foreign subscriptions which has more than compensated for the 15 per cent increase in production costs. The *Journal of Neurosurgery*, however, has outstripped the *Journal of Neurophysiology* and now, at the beginning of its fourth volume, has well over 1,000 subscribers, while *Neurophysiology* is only passing the 500 mark. Louise Eisenhardt has had a strenuous year handling many more papers than there was room for in the *Journal*, and arranging the annual meeting of the Cushing Society in Boston in October, which more than two hundred members and guests attended. The *Journal of Neurophysiology* has had a particularly peaceful and pleasant year, and we were very happy to be able to add Dr. Magoun of Chicago as a new member of the Editorial Board with the May number.

One of the pleasanter distractions of the year, which has affected both the Department and the Historical Library, has been the influx of foreign visitors—many of them old friends and former Fellows, such as Howard Florey, Willie Henderson, Solly Zuckerman, Jack Eccles, Frédéric Bremer, Olof Sjöqvist, and Hugh Cairns, to cite a very few whom most of you know; scarcely a day goes by that we are not able to welcome someone from Holland, Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Belgium or France, and there have also been a gratifying number from China, the most recent being Dr. Feng.

I mentioned in my last Christmas letter that the Cushing biography was almost ready for press. It was eventually dispatched to the Banta Publishing Company of Menasha (one of the last of the non-union presses—hence the \$5 price) toward the end of January. Proofs began to come in very promptly, but when the page proof was finally completed in June Mr. Thomas, optimistically counting on a large sale, decided to have the whole book electrotyped; there was a strike of the engravers before they were half through, so the publication date, originally intended for July 1st, was put forward month by month as one production delay after another occurred,

and the book was finally published officially on October 25th. Since it came out I have been swamped with the pleasantest kind of fan mail, and if by any chance I have not acknowledged any of your letters recently, you must take this as the reason. If the book should be a success, please put it down to the quality and extraordinary wealth of the source materials and to the fact that I was peculiarly fortunate in my assistants.

October was an interesting but particularly hectic month, with the annual meeting of the Army Medical Library Consultants on the 4th and 5th, the Harvey Cushing Society on the 10th and 11th, and four days of Ether Centenary celebrations in Boston on the 14th through the 17th. Those of you who weren't in Boston at this time will be interested to learn that the Massachusetts General Hospital celebration consisted of a three-day symposium on war medicine given principally by old members of the M.G.H. staff. It was a jolly family affair, and interestingly there were virtually no references to the discovery of surgical anesthesia beyond those seen in exhibits, and in the Ether Dome. In Boston, the historic place which can boast of the greatest discovery in the history of modern medicine, there is to be nothing officially published to commemorate this epic event. The new *Journal of the History of Medicine and the Allied Sciences* has attempted to make up for this lapse on the part of our Boston friends by issuing in October an ether centenary number running to nearly two hundred pages, and we have had the effrontery, in the Historical Library, to issue an annotated catalogue describing our holdings on the early history of surgical anesthesia; we also reissued, as a reminder, William P. G. Morton's once celebrated but now little known Memoir to the French Academy—first issued in 1847—which in our opinion gives the best contemporary account of the discovery of surgical anesthesia. Both items have been published for the Library by Henry Schuman of New York.

My warm thanks go to all of you for responding to my memorandum questions last August. We are drawing up another list of all former members of the Laboratory, and if we can get it printed in time to go out with this letter we shall do so; otherwise, it will reach you some time in January. A very Happy Christmas to you, a wish in which Lucia joins me enthusiastically.

^{Ever}
Very sincerely yours,

(From JOHN F. FULTON)

John

This may possibly amuse you - at
all events you will know that we
are all thinking of you!

YALE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

333 CEDAR STREET · NEW HAVEN · CONNECTICUT

Historical Library

15 November 1946.

Dear Dr. Bill:

Mr. Reichner (I believe it was) on a recent visit to Montreal discovered that you did not have a copy of the enclosed reprint in the Osler Library and was greatly surprised, so the Dynamo dug this out and asked me to send it to you. I'm afraid that was some time ago, but I am only now gradually digging myself out of the pile of things that accumulated during the brief time I absented myself from the Library. Of course some of these accumulations go back for a year; but they are now being attacked gradually and if I am left alone I may sometime put my house in order and not have to worry so much about what people might say if that streetcar ran over me one day. I actually am being left to my own devices, for I have not responded enthusiastically to the newest undertaking - that of writing a 'life' of Benjie Silliman in time for the centenary of the Sheffield Scientific School - and Elizabeth Thomson is doing everything in connexion with it and I am not even told what is happening! I've been bold enough to state that I thought it was time that the Professor of Physiology got back to his knitting, but he seems to like crocheting in the H.L. better, so now I am silent.

The fact that I have not condoned with you on paper over your latest episode does not mean that I've not thought of you many times. You were over the worst features (graphically described!) of the malady by the time I returned, but here it is over a fortnight later that I am sending you my love and the hope that you are ticking away once more in perfect order. Take care of yourself!

Affectionately,

Madelin

YALE

57 Ralston Avenue
Hamden 14, Conn.
31 October 1946

Dear Dr. Bill:

Your letters are always received with particular delight--even in Cliftonville! As a matter of fact, our address is now as above--the lovely old house we have lived in for three years having been sold. We had to purchase another of Lilliputian proportions and uncertain architecture. It is not far from Mill Rock so the next time you come down maybe I shall be able to spirit you away more easily.

Your vers libres ~~were~~, as always, most appreciated. By Madeline and John as well, of course. The latter particularly liked John McCrae's favorite about King David and King Solomon. I think he is feeling depressed--it's his birthday tomorrow! No sign yet of his composing either Proverbs or Psalms, however.

I want to send you some verse now which I found recently in the Saturday Review of Literature. I hope you haven't already seen it.

An Observation Concerning Men
and Mandrills

The mandrill, dolorous before,
Is radiant behind.
His fundament is rather more
Than gaudily designed.

The peacock with emblazoned tail
The flashy parakeet
With bright enamelled plumage, fail
In seeking to compete.

With such a prodigal array
In subtle hue and tint
Of colors merging to display
New wonders without stint.

How many out of all who show
Dull miens and sober minds
Might not reveal, could we but know,
Extravagant behinds!

Raymond Hosken

With fond greetings from
one of the latter
Elizabeth

The Good Witch is
going to dip her foot in salute
when she rides over your house tonight!

Ans'd
P.T.D.

In other words, as the Electrician imperiously
puts it:

Full many a gem of purest ray serene
The deep unfathom'd caves of ocean bear;
Full many a gem is doom'd to thud unseen
And waste its radiance on the underweave!

But I don't if Gray ever saw a hundredth.

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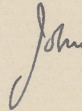
My dear Bill:

I enclose a set of picture postcards which the M.G.H. got out for the Centennial.

If you have not seen George S. Gordon's Rede Lecture on Robert Bridges just issued by the Cambridge Press, you must by all means get it. Gordon's diction is really magnificent but you will no doubt disapprove of the following passage:

"I wish that I had time to speak of Mr Bridges' work for English speech, of his lifelong and ardent interest in whatever might preserve its nobility of utterance and the significance of its sounds. He feared, not without cause, as the English language spread and wandered about the earth, a loss of grip at the centre, and it was for this reason above all that he welcomed wireless. All the crafts that concerned language were of interest to him, whether the language were to be spoken, sung, or read: he studied types and scripts like any other branch of fine art."

Yours *John*



Dr. W. W. Francis
Osler Library
McGill University
Montreal, Canada

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22 October 1946

My dear Bill:

I am sorry that my anesthesia catalogue has given you another attack of double vision, but you say such pleasant things about it that I wouldn't know whether the attack was post hoc or propter hoc. In all events your letter is warmly appreciated. The correction has been noted. Pray send any others that you come upon, also any that you see in the Biography as Charles plans shortly to have a reprinting.

I shall send a copy of the appreciation of Leonard Mackall to Professor Monro as you suggest.

Having been away for almost two weeks I am somewhat swamped. Quite a number of pleasant letters have come about the Biography--a three-page one in single space from Frank Pleadwell who sends a number of fascinating annotations. I had not realized that he followed H.C. so closely at Harvard. He knew nearly all of his contemporaries. I only wish that I had picked his brains a little more actively in the early stages. He winds up on a rather doleful note--"We who are left must hang together and live on our memories." Please don't get doleful!

In retrospect, the Ether Centennial was essentially undistinguished and not at all to be compared with the 50th which must have been, for Boston, a very colorful affair. The most unhappy event was in Sanders Theatre on Wednesday night when Evarts Graham seized the opportunity to air an old grievance (M.D. anesthetists, 300 of whom were present in the audience), not to mention calling the teachings of Mary Baker Eddy "humbuggery" almost within sight of the Mother Church! Dr. Fosdick, President of the Rockefeller Foundation, gave a very distinguished speech which saved the whole evening from mediocrity. Karl Compton put us all to sleep with his mumblings about Bikini. I can't imagine how they could have planned a centennial which had so little to do with anesthesia. But the meetings were all friendly and pleasant and one saw old friends from every part of the country.

As I wrote you on the 16th, the high spot of the whole meeting was the exhibit which Viets and James Ballard had arranged at the Boston Public. They had some things which knocked our eyes out *and certainly have*

I have given your messages to your many admirers.

from yr ophthalmic

Yours *over*

John

Dr. W. W. Francis
The Osler Library
McGill University
Montreal, Canada

OSLER LIBRARY,
5 October, 1946.

Dr. J. F. Fulton,
Historical Library,
335 Cedar Street,
New Haven,
Conn., U. S. A.

Dear John,

Here are the other wanted photostats - of #1457, 1479 and 1381 (yours of 2 Sept.). I got most of them a week ago but they were badly done and some wrong 'uns and it has taken us a week to get them corrected. The idiot made them all 1/3 larger than life. I hope that won't spoil them for your purpose. I'll let you know the cost for these and the others I sent before.

Yours of 3 Oct. last thing yesterday, with the welcome page proof of the catalogue and the prospect of the H. C.

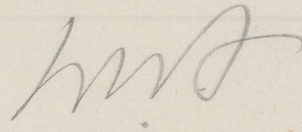
Yes, I got Wing's 1st vol. (S.-T. C.) from the Index Society, wrote and asked them how (as I hadn't heard it was out), and they said it was with your compliments, whereupon (I hope) I wrote to you. If not it was just before I left for my last, almost fatal, visit.

We're deep in a 125th anniversary reunion here.

In haste,

Yours ever,

*Signed
by*
WF:CD



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3 October 1946

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Dr. W. W. Francis
The Osler Library
McGill University
Montreal, Quebec

Dear Bill:

We now have all the page proof of the Anesthesia Catalogue, bar the index. I do not, however, have the corrected pages of the first half. You intimated in a recent letter that you and Hebbel would like to have a set for reference, so we are sending a set of the pages rather than returning your old galley. Mr. Anthoensen promises to have the completed catalogues in our hands the end of next week.

I am just off to Washington for two days with the Consultants. I don't look forward to it particularly, as it will be hard work. Tomorrow night at the dinner I have to introduce among others the Argentinian Ambassador, the Buenos Aires surgeon, Ivanissowich. I wish I had some of your stories up my sleeve - not so much for the Ambassador as for that rascal Norman Kirk.

The H.C. Society meets next week in Boston on the 10th, 11th and 12th, and after that we plunge into four days of Anesthesia. Have you seen, by the way, the anesthesia number of the British Medical Bulletin? It is the best thing so far, and if you have not had it you should obtain a copy of it immediately. Our anesthesia exhibit is up, and Madeline, somewhat exhausted, is off for a two-week holiday. I am afraid it is rather well earned.

I was out in California last week for two days, and had breakfast with Rosy one morning and she finessed my advance copy of the biography. I didn't have a chance. My fear is that she would write you about it and you would wonder why in heaven's name she had a copy before you did. Yours is on the way and should reach you any day now.

Devotedly always,

Jim

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2 October 1946

Copies to

Mr. Muirhead
✓ Dr. Francis
Mr. Wing

Office of the Secretary
THE INDEX SOCIETY
202 Journalism Building
Columbia University
New York 27, New York

Gentlemen:

After failing to fill my original order for a copy of Wing's Short Title Catalogue to be sent to Mr. Arnold Muirhead as a gift from me, you now, on second reminder (letter of 5 July) have sent the book to him with a bill!

I enclose herewith my check for \$15.00.

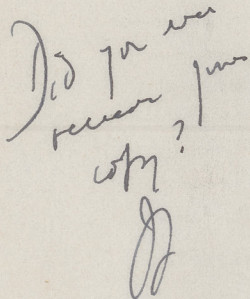
In my original letter of 14 February I also requested that a copy be sent as a gift from me to Dr. W. W. Francis at the Osler Library of McGill University. I have not heard whether this has been received, and my only hope is that it did not arrive as did Mr. Muirhead's - with a bill. Will you kindly inform me whether that copy was ever sent?

Yours very truly,



J. F. Fulton, M.D.

P.S. May I also request, as I did in my letter of 14 February, that you send the later volumes as they appear to Mr. Muirhead and Dr. Francis as a gift from me, and send me the bill.



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23 September 1946

Dear Bill:

Many thanks for the two final batches of anesthesia catalogue proof. As usual your suggestions are most helpful and they were promptly incorporated on the master galleys before they were returned Saturday. So far no page proof, but we are expecting the first of it momentarily.

I am going out to California Wednesday night and hope to see Rosie on Friday. I shall be back here Sunday morning.

Ever yours,



Dr. W. W. Francis
Osler Library
McGill University
Montreal, Canada

OSLER LIBRARY,
20 Sept., 1946.

Dr. J. F. Fulton,
Historical Library,
333 Cedar Street,
New Haven,
Conn., U. S. A.

Dear John,

I sent you the first three galleys
with the Quistorp photostats on the 17th and now
enclose galleys 4-20, plus three of cuts, plus
21-25, in the hope that they may reach you
tomorrow. It is a splendid record.

Hoff hasn't got around to seeing them.
Perhaps you could return us this set when you've
finished with them.

Yours ever,

Bill

WFF: CD
Encl:-

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remaining galleys.
(all sent so far).*

333 CEDAR STREET
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19 September 1946

Dear Bill:

Last night we sent you another batch of proof but I didn't have a chance to write you. We were in a state of gloom because one of Anthoensen's compositors had gone haywire and had set up seven galleys of Section VII in full measure instead of in double column as had been called for. Anthoensen is going to reset it, but with time so short we were frantic when we discovered what had happened.

Your Quistorp depressions didn't bother us too much. Your analysis of the text is most helpful and it will be revised accordingly.

We were much entertained by your reference to fighting anesthesia under the Reverend George. I can't tell you what has happened, but I heard by the grape-vine that his parish had become disturbed over his frequent trips and that, when he discovered this, George felt obliged to withdraw permanently. He had a parish up in Rochester last winter and when I was there in May (he had just left) I heard many enthusiastic references to him by prominent citizens in Rochester.

He has been in retirement up in Dublin during the summer, preaching an occasional sermon for Edric Weld. But Edric tells me that his sermons of late have been very uneven, and that one in particular late last spring was so confused that people have begun to worry about him. I don't know whether there is anything in this because I have heard Edric do a Quistorp and I suspect that it is a case of the pot calling the kettle black.

George is also much worried about his second daughter, who, out of the blue, developed a severe case of dementia praecox last spring at Rochester. I helped them get her into an institution, and the last I heard was that she had improved considerably under a course of insulin and electro-shock therapy and is now back with the family at Dublin. Harry Solomon, who was called in consultation, feels that her chances are fair but that she will probably have to have a frontal lobotomy.

Dr. Francis

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19 September 1946

Thanks for returning the Quistorp photostats, and thank you especially for your superscript saying that you liked the catalogue.

Yours Quistorpically,



Dr. W. W. Francis
Osler Library
McGill University
Montreal, Canada

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FULTON

Dear John,

I hate to pour cold water on Quistorp and
don't know what to do about the props. of which
I send you the first ^{three} ~~from~~ ^{three of} ~~your~~ ^{your} assertions
out in ~~pencil~~ blue pencil, ^{about the} ~~your~~ ^{assertions}
about the thesis which I cannot compare
from a reading of it. Its main interest
is the use of the term. I find nothing about
^{historical} ~~medicinal~~ use of narcotics either
medically or for relief of pain in
surgery. It is entirely unconvincing. In
the section on torture (Obs. IV on D. note)
what interests me is the "frequent" cases
of indifference to the pain, quoting in
German ^{from} ~~a~~ ^{judicial account} ~~of~~ ^{one of a} ~~man~~
tortured for 1 1/2 hours without a groan;
he even went to sleep under it! ~~the~~ Q.
^{suggests} ~~for~~ various explanations: sorcery - he
had perhaps stolen the heart of an un-
baptized child, or taken a draught of
hemphritic stone pulverized in cold water
[the only echo of Procrustes & the old
anesthetics that I see!], or some other
wiles of the Devil, &c. &c.

P. Sharp took in the middle of the 2-ops. of the
preface (A2 verso): he can't explain
normal sleep, let alone the common
problem why the ~~seem~~ ^{man} who would
be wide awake if you gave him ~~a chance~~
occasion to dance a jig ~~play~~, will
be ~~some~~ asleep during ~~seems~~.

I've put a permit note on a first gallery
about the ~~same~~ that mysterious Memphis stone,
which I'm astonished to find that Gunther,
Brewster, p. 655 identifies with what
the N.E. D. ^{calls} retinasphalt. It would be interesting to look
up the reference he gives to the Trans.
Linn. Soc., IV, 140.

I don't know what to advise you to
do about Quistorp. Let him remain
exalted, if you like. Very few will
be on occasion to dispute your
paraphrase, and I'm not too
certain that I've read him
justly.

I enclose the Quistorp, too. I'd ~~like~~
get photographs of the Cates, if I went
there. I'm still trying to get our man
to do these other photos for you. The

Other galleries will reach you by the end
of the week. (Madelin)

Remember to thank Lucia for
a nice fat letter from her.

Yours

Quintus.

Middle of p. 2nd p. of paper (A2 v). He can't even explain normal sleep, let alone the common problem why the same man who would be wide awake if you gave him reasons to dance or joke will go sound asleep during sermons.

Pls. IV on D1 notes. is about "frequent" cases of
to torture, some even going to sleep under
it & various explanations have been given:
sorcery; the eating of the heart of an
unbaptized child; a draught of nephritic
stone pulverized in cold water [!]. Some
attribute it to the ^{the} wiles of the devil, &c. &c.
There is no remarkable discussion of narcotic
remedies.

Apn IV.

D.T.K.

D.2 v. Grades of anaesthesia: Catalepsy (deepest),
divine ecstasy, "natural enthusiasm" (religious
emotion? - the "natural" seems to exclude "divine frenzy"),
"carus" ("a sleep wherein the person affected being
pulled, pinched or called, never shows any sign
of hearing or feeling; it is... greater than a lethargy,
less than an apoplexy, according to Blankart),
"syncope", "lipothimia" (fainting), profound
meditation.

E2 verso p. 13. Whittaker's lower body (at A).

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14 September 1946

LABORATORY OF PHYSIOLOGY

Dr. Hebbel E. Hoff
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My dear Heb:

We are trying to run that Fontana reference to earth and we shall send you a photostat.

Your suggestion about having a combined meeting of the American and Canadian Medical Societies on the occasion of the Osler centennial is interesting but I wonder whether it would really be feasible in view of the uncomfortable size of the American Medical Association. They had a registration of 8,000 out at San Francisco and next year at Atlantic City at the centennial meeting of the A.M.A. Fishbein expects a registration of 20,000. Possibly you had in mind some one of the smaller societies such as the Young Turks or the Harvey Cushing Society. A meeting of either, or both, of these in combination with the corresponding groups in Canada would, I think, be entirely feasible. I am sending Bill a carbon of this to see what he thinks of it.

I have had a note from Davison this morning about the Osler centennial. He points out that many of the graduates of Osler's last few classes at The Hopkins are still active. I think Ralph Major out in Kansas City falls in this category and, of course, Esther Rosencrantz. Definite plans ought to be formulated fairly soon.

I sent Bill Francis the first galleys of the anaesthesia catalogue last night and I hope he will let you see them. Be sure to send us any suggestions or corrections, but do it soon since they plan to send us page proof the end of next week.

We had a farewell party for Ted and Helen on Thursday night. Everything went off smoothly and I think they enjoyed it. We had dinner at Morey's and the clans gathered afterwards out at Mill Rock. Some of them were still dancing at 2:00 a.m.

With best wishes,

Very sincerely yours,

J.F.
J. F. Fulton, M.D.

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Dear Bill:

Herewith, uncorrected, the first twenty galleys of the anesthesia catalogue. I hope you will cast your eagle eye over them so that we may have the benefit of your wide knowledge of the subject; will you look particularly at the Quis-torp since we have no way of verifying it. The "quam" will be inserted, as you have suggested, in the second line.

There are fourteen or fifteen galleys still to come.

With best wishes,

Yours ever,

John

Dr. W. W. Francis
Osler Library
McGill University
Montreal, Canada

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Returned 1-3

*with Quis-torp list
& letter.*

12.11.46.

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9 September 1946

My dear Bill:

You always help me out of tight places. Thanks so much for yours of the 6th and especially for straightening out the title of Quistorp. I haven't the faintest idea what G.D.S.P. means but I think I have seen it on some other theses of that period. Keep Quistorp as long as you like or at least until the first of October when we set up our anesthesia exhibit. If you want to keep it longer than this, send us a positive photostat of the title page.

I am also most grateful to you for locating the word anesthesia in the 1499 Dioscorides. It is exactly where you said it was and I had no difficulty running it down, thanks to your precise instructions.

Better not bother about the Poore if it is interleaved as it would be too much of an undertaking. I have an uncomfortable feeling that the Boston Medical Library copy is also interleaved.

Thanks for answering my questions about the Simpson items. As usual, you have given exactly what we wanted. The anesthesia catalogue has gone to press but we have not yet received the proofs. I am asking them to send me an extra set so that you will be able to go over them while we are waiting for the page proof.

I didn't realize that I had never told you of my secret history of the B.O. I wrote it in Oxford and I don't think it will in any way alter the high regard in which you are held in the world of scholars! It is just like you to urge me to be kind to Archie. It is what W.O. would have done.

We liked your paraphrase of Shakespeare--H.C. is not forgot. It is merely that this blankety-blank centennial had to come at just the wrong moment. The biography is now completely printed and is in the bindery. We hope to have an advance copy by the end of the week. General distribution will begin about a week or ten days after that. Apparently the Banta people are already trying to find paper for a second edition, which is cheering but one never knows!

Yours ever,

John

John F. Fulton

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OSLER LIBRARY,
6 Sept., 1946.

Dr. J. F. Fulton,
Historical Library,
333 Cedar Street,
New Haven,
Conn., U. S. A.

Dear John,

I haven't had time to go into Quistorp yet. He looks interesting. But Latin grammar REQUIRES that you make the second line of your Title read: seyn / quam ... / praeside. What can G. D. S. P. mean? I can't find it. May I keep him and delay your further desiderata till our so-called photostatter comes back next week?

You will find the first printing of the term anaesthesia in the 1499 Dioscorides on leaf 3 of quire o (omicron), line 12, 3rd word (just after the comma).

Poore, 1431, having 114 pp. interleaved, can't be done by openings. I wonder if it was issued like that. It was bound by Maltby for W. O. and doesn't look like paper M. would use for the purpose; it is sewn "through and through", and W. O. would surely not interleave it.

Pearson, 1361, has 16 openings, with markings and a MS. note apparently by Geo. Foy who owned the vol. in 1880. He was the Dublin champion of Long.

1457 has 6 openings, "With J Y S / kindest rega", badly shaved on the t.-p. and addressed (per post) by him on last blank to Dr. Bennet. Also on the t.-p. a faint pencil note by W. O. from the ref. to the Month. J. Med. Sc. for March 1847, "see also Feb. & April". I wonder if he or I ever did?

You are wrong about 1479-80. They are different printings. Both have the long postscript. 1480 has the footnote formerly on p. 7 transferred to p. 6, and adds a new footnote on p. 11-12 about administration on a handkerchief in surgical cases. The postscript in 1479 ends on p. 22 with: "first breathings.", and the date (12 Nov.; it was read on the 10th.); in 1480 it ends on p. 23 with an added paragraph (see below), then the date altered to 15th, then FINIS, and then the printers' imprint (same as on the back of the t.-pp. of both eds.). The added paragraph reads:

I have, up to this date, exhibited the Chloroform to about fifty individuals. In not a single instance has the slightest bad result of any kind whatever occurred from its employment.

8. IX. 46

I'll pay the \$5.00 for the (commercial) photostats and dun you for it and the rest when our "Sam" does them (more cheaply, I think).

You take Labor Day literally! It's high time the gals joined a trade union. Some of us like to observe holidays.

Thanks for the 1949 thoughts. Don't wish many more jobs on me for that occasion, or I'll certainly have more than one foot in it before then. The Secret History has to wait for the J. H. H. centenary, 1989. If you would relax occasionally you might be there. So you threaten an inside story of the B. O.! Be kind to Archie. As for me, I shall be deaf to praise or blame, so do your damnedest!

Schuman has just sent me Wm. White's Osler for adolescents MS. I'm screwing up my courage to look into it.

I long to see the Anaesthesia catalogue, to say nothing of Romeo and Juliet, II, 3, 69:

Jesu Maria! what a deal of push
Hath swamped thy dictaphones for Harvey Cush!
Is he so soon forgot?
When's he coming?

brine
washed
thy yellow cheeks for Rosalind
she

Yours ever,

W. F. Bell

WF:CD

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3 September 1946

My dear Bill:

1431
In my Labor Day epistle I forgot to ask for the bill for the photostats. Be sure to make note of it because there will be quite a large bill for those which I requested yesterday. Lest you think I have asked for everything, I discover that I forgot the most important item, namely, the full text of your Poore biography of Morton. This will be slightly expensive, but they can do two pages at a time.

I am still thinking about the Osler centenary. 'Rosie' will no doubt be going strong and she will probably jump at the chance to bring out a new edition of his bibliography with all the new items listed that she seems to have discovered.

With best wishes,

Yours, *W.W.F.*



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2 September 1946

My dear Bill:

Since it is Labor Day and since we are going to press today with the anesthesia catalogue, I feel impelled to write immediately to thank you for yours of the 29th and particularly for the photostatic copy of B.O. 1459. It came just in time and, thanks to your thoughtful annotations, we were able to give the full collation, which is often difficult when blanks are not included.

Some time when your photostat machine is working again, would you be good enough to let us have photostats of 1457 and 1479? Am I correct in believing that 1479 differs from 1480 in lacking the postscript? We also would like a photostat of your Richard Pearson tract No. 1381.

Not being Greek scholars we are having some difficulty in running down the word anesthesia in our Greek Dioscorides of 1499. We have found it in some of the modern editions but Greek numerals get me down and I can't find my way around in the text.

Finally, I think you will be interested in Quistorp's De anaesthesia, Rostock, 1718. No one seems to have examined this thesis and since I am sure you will be interested in it, I am sending the photostat which we obtained a few days ago from the Army Medical Library. Madeline has doubts about my latinity and she will feel much easier about my note after you have perused it. I will too. Perhaps you can write us a really good note. Incidentally, you may wish to have a photostat of your own made and I am sure the Army Medical Library would have no objection.

I was quite startled by your question concerning W.O.'s centenary. It seems incredible that it is so near at hand. You must certainly have a celebration and you will no doubt wish to invite as speakers people whom W.O. had influenced. How about Geoffrey Keynes to represent Britain? It would be wonderful if you could get old Waller from Sweden. He speaks in every letter about his desire to come to this country and that would be an ideal occasion.

You would also wish to have representatives of the various Osler clubs. The one in London seems to have died during the war, but I imagine Franklin may rescue it. The poor chap had a heavy blow in that his house burned down, his mother failed to escape, and all the carefully-kept archives and library of the Osler Club were burned,

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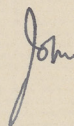
but you have no doubt had the details from him.

I have one other idea for the centenary and that is bringing out a centennial edition of the H.C. biography under your editorship. It would give you a chance to add and subtract from the text and to give it more thorough annotation. The centenary would also be a good occasion either to reprint some of his essays or to bring out one of his unpublished papers. Of course you would have to have a banquet with an Oslerian menu with a few Rabelaisian touches. You really ought to start work at once on the menu, for this obviously will be the most important publication in connection with the anniversary!

How about W.O.'s secret history of the Hopkins? But I guess that will have to be held over for the sesquicentennial, at which time my executors can give out my secret history of the Osler Catalogue. If anything else occurs to me, I shall let you know!

With best wishes,

Yours, *W*



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OSLER LIBRARY,
29 August, 1946.

Dr. J. F. Fulton,
Historical Library,
333 Cedar Street,
New Haven,
Conn., U. S. A.

Dear John,

Sorry you had to telegraph, but we thought from M.'s last letter that there was no great hurry. Our one and only photostatter is on holiday, so my faithful Madeline-Charlotte-Parky-Elizabeth-et-alterae-rolled-into-one-Svo dashed down town with the pamphlets (against the rules) to a commercial concern.

I've pencilled a note, which may be of interest, on the back of p. 13. I told M. my reasons for regarding 1459 as the 1st issue. Both it and 1458 were printed in Dec., as it was read that month.

Dave of Durham enquires about plans for July 12th, 1949, W. O.'s centenary - any suggestions, supposing I'm still here?

Yours ever,

Will

WFF:CD
Encls:-

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W.W.F. I wrote Dr. (no copy) etc, that I'd send her, with the photos,
a list of the changes in the 2nd issue (see back of t.-p. of # 1458)

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3 August 1946.

7 C.D. Please get negative photostat

of the 24 pp. of 1459 (pamphlet)

(8) bound with # 1480, also of

pp 45 & 46 of # 1462

No. 1462. wanted
before mid Sept?

Dear Dr. Bill:

Thank you for your prompt reply to my letter.
I'm sorry to seem to have caught you out in a minute biblio-
graphical irregularity - practically the first one to be
found, I'll wager. If you consider No. 1459 to be the
first issue, then that's the one for us, I guess. -- But
now the Dynamo comes along and says perhaps we'd better
have both. I say, if that's too much of a chore, give
us No. 1459 and the title-page of 1458, if it shows any
difference.

There is one other thing' we'd like to have.
I find that our No. 1462 has a blank leaf for pp. 45-46.
May we have a photostat of this also, to insert in our
copy? We do not have the "covering title-page", but I
judge this may not be a too vital lack.

pamphlet (9)
with # 1480

I'll give you good warning of my threatened
descent! It won't be until I'm sure it won't be hot.
Besides, we have to anaesthetize ourselves first, and
prepare for the C.C.C. (which in local parlance means
the Conn. Clinical Congress) which meets here the middle
of September. About that time I may light out, and no
one knows where I may land. Don't give it a thought
meanwhile. Have a grand holiday, and take good care
of yourself.

Yours ever affectionately,

Madeline

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SIMPSON, Sir J.Y.

No. 1458. Remarks on the superinduction of
Anaesthesia in Natural and Morbid Parturition.
Edinb. &c., 1847.

later with 1459

Question In 1460 Does the phrase

✓ '2nd thousand' occur in the title?
No.

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30 July 1946.

With her - 30th
1459 is Berlin mine
(see book 955 p. 1) Does
she want that?

Dear Dr. Bill:

In between batches of plate-proof of the Biography, we are keeping our hand in by preparing for the great centenary in October. In this connexion the Boss wonders if we could get from you a photostat of your No. 1458, Sir J. Y. Simpson's Remarks on the superinduction of anaesthesia [etc.], Edinburgh, 1847. Could you turn the chore over to one of your slaves and have the reproduction with bill sent to us in due time?

I've not written you for an age - you can guess why. Your letter of yesterday was eagerly devoured by the harem here and then was sent out for Oosha to do likewise. What an understanding male you are! Imagine sending all the desired details and even samples of the gown! The bride must have looked really lovely, but I don't suppose her Pa would admit it. And you did sound just a bit hard on the groom - no doubt because of his 'taking' ways; but I can imagine just see how you really behaved, and if he has the sense of a flea he will be utterly and completely devoted to you. If he isn't, there'll be a terrific hoarde of ladies who will undertake to teach him the error of his ways.

Have a good holiday and don't try to do anything rash, such as undertaking to beat 'Bilda' at tennis! Now that I've broken the spell and started visiting libraries (in Cleveland a week ago, temp. 95+), I want to run up to Montreal for a few days, and shall hope for a personally conducted tour, so try to steel yourself. I really can't go on much longer enduring people's pitying glances when I admit that I have never seen the Osler Library; I don't like the state either, and am really going to do something about it.

What news of Mildred? I gather that there must have been a final explosion and that she left the Academy. She has a great command of language on occasion, and according to her own tale she handed some of it to the powers-that-be who really needed it; but she sounds rather unhappy at present. Is her Stephen the sort of person to help her out at times such as these? And what is his age approximately? From something that was said during Ethel Wigmore's visit, I picture him as an octogenarian. Is that putting it a little too high?

Always affectionately,

Madeline

It's a good thing this
doesn't represent a test
in typewriting!

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10 July 1946

My dear Bill:

On returning from California a day or two ago (where I have been carrying on mightily with your girl friend Esther), I found your cheerful note announcing Marian's forthcoming marriage. He is a fine-looking lad and the photograph of Marian is also particularly good. I can well imagine what flurries you and Hilda must be having. I wish we could be there to help.

Herewith, belatedly, a set of the minutes of the March meeting of the Advisory Board. I had dictated them roughly to Madeline during the Library Association meetings but, what with one thing or another, we didn't get around to revising them until just before I went to California. The Annual Report was also finished then, but the Press is slower than molasses and we have not yet even seen the proofs.

The Biography goes forward apace. The galleys of the index appeared while I was in California (thank God!) and Madeline, Elizabeth, and Perky all nearly lost their minds over them; but they seem now restored to relative sanity. They have sent us page proof of the preliminary matter and since I didn't like the Preface, I rewrote most of it, which will probably upset the printers. They will send us page proof of the index and when that is in, we will kiss it good-bye and hope for the indulgence of those who may read it. You will, of course, receive an early copy but I fancy this will not be before the second or third week of August.

Gehner is agitating over the jacket. I don't know much about jackets, but at least we have been able to tone down the blurb originally submitted by Charles Thomas. It sounded a little as though he were trying to praise the Almighty and didn't know quite how to do it.

I have a good story for you from California but I dare not embarrass my amanuensis. It is about a young Roman Catholic priest who had a tick that caused him to wink one eye whenever he spoke; and he arrived in San Francisco seeking, through a taxi driver, to find a quiet room. I will leave the rest to your imagination.

I see what you mean about Mr. White. He breezed in yesterday to say that he had turned out 20,000 words for the teen-age Osler. From his demeanor and the tone of his voice I don't think that he

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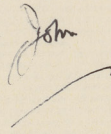
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10 July 1946

really understands much about W.O.; or if he does, he doesn't show it. But if I were following W.O.'s philosophy, I should be more charitable. Your warm admirer, Elizabeth, was stuck with him most of the day and didn't especially appreciate my generosity.

Madeline is off for a week with her sister and she and Perky are motoring on Friday out to Cleveland to play with Max Fisch before he takes off to Urbana to become head of the Department of Philosophy. I hope Madeline and Perky will put him in a philosophical mood.

Best wishes from the New Haven bad influence,



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18 June 1946

My dear Bill:

I am just taking off for California with a stop-over for a few days in St. Paul to see Mother and get my teeth fixed--the beginnings of the Third Dentition (all of which is most properly under parental guidance).

I will be at Hotel Fairmont, San Francisco, until 5 July and expect to be in New Haven again on the 6th.

We finally received a copy of the title page this morning and it is really quite good. The index went in last week and your admirers are waiting about until the galleys come in and then they, too, will have a well-deserved holiday.

I can't think of any bright stories save for one that our pediatrician friend, Betsy Harrison, told last night of a cute twelve-year old gal who propositioned a lively nine-year old boy to go upstairs and go to bed. He replied promptly, "Certainly not. I'm not tired."

With best wishes,



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BIOGRAPHY OF
DR. HARVEY CUSHING

13 June 1946

Nicest of all Thingumabills, greetings! I think I am at last beginning to realize that if I wait until all is calm and free in this library, I shall never get to writing letters. After the book, it was then the end of the index, and now it's getting JFF off to St. Paul, where he visits his family and the dentist, next Tuesday. He has finally decided against England because of the difficulty in getting transportation home and that means he will go on to San Francisco from St. Paul to the A.M.A. meetings.

Did anybody tell you the delightful thing that was turned up in the Flexner biography of Welch when the index was being done? "Pigs, Welch fond of."

Sunday was Madeline's birthday and JF gave a very nice party for her. (Lucia was at Topsfield recovering from the Harvard reunion.) None of the husbands turned up, being laid low by viruses, indiscreet consumption of alcoholic beverages, etc., so JF had eight females to entertain. Being preeminently successful in this field, he did nobly. Perhaps the champagne helped, but far be it from me to dim his laurels!

There was only one untoward incident. Mary Wheatland, Lucia's oldest brother's daughter who is visiting the Fultons, was watching the candles when bringing in the cake and bumped her elbow on one of the doors as she was passing through. The cake, alas, descended unceremoniously to the floor. JF and she rescued it with far greater success than one would have thought possible, but it came in looking somewhat the worse for wear (and it was so beautiful when I finished it!). JF carried it off very well and the accident might not have been detected had he not served Perky a large piece of great-grandmother's cake plate!

To use H.C.'s phrase, it's hotter than the hinges of Hades here today. Hope you are more comfortable in Montreal and that you are feeling much more like your sprightly self. We all still love you very much even though we haven't been very vocal about it, lately.

I must needs be about the annual report, plague take the things anyway. I like them not.

With fond affection
Elizabeth

YALE

Clintonville, Conn.
29 May 1946

Dear Dr. Bill,

I hasten to send you a late bulletin to the effect that the Garrison Lecture was delivered with a great deal of enthusiasm and received in the same spirit. And this is a first-hand report for by a strange assortment of circumstances, Madeline and I were there in person to swell the applause, which we did quite frankly.

"Those two stubborn men," in the words of our President, who caused the railroad strike and upset our national economy were also the cause of Madeline and I driving JF to the meetings. His own car has developed a crippling psychosis as yet undiagnosed and was not up to making the trip. After shrimp, vichyssoise, roast beef, French pastry, and some 1943 Chianti (just imported) on a solid foundation of martinis^{in NY}, Madeline was able to keep the lion from roaring (we had been warned on all sides that he was a very bad traveller by motor) by amusing him on the back seat while I (who had partaken far more conservatively of both food and drink) piloted us through the Jersey flats scarred by such flagrant commercialism and polluted by such diversified smells, all rank, that I began to wonder if the products of this modern age are worth the effort. However, both the atmosphere and the factories thinned out a bit and the trip was made without effort and with everybody still happy.

The evening symposium on Benjamin Rush was interesting, although the second speaker was hard to follow because of his accent (he was Fritz Wittels of New York) and because the wind and heat of the drive down ~~was~~^{were} beginning to show their effect. Nor had we eaten since noon, which fact was troubling JF considerably. We gathered up Mildred, who was also at the meeting, and went in search of some steak. The conversation came around to you, as it always does, and I wondered what you would say could you have listened in to the nice things being said about you as a friend and correspondent as the night club singer sang sweetly what I suppose is a current song "Isn't it beautiful?"

MS and I arrived at the meetings late the next day. JF's paper and that of Max Fisch on "Nicolaus Pol Doctor 1494" were the high spots of the afternoon session. The last paper of the morning by Ludwig Edelstein of Baltimore on William Osler's Philosophy was also very interesting. As you know, these papers are to be published in Mr. Sigerist's journal and he was on the front row reaching out a hand for each paper as it was finished. Mme. Genti lunched with JF and harem and said she had had tea with you the week before. We were so happy to have a firsthand report of your well-being. San Larkey apparently had intentions of asking Mme Genti to lunch but JF scouped him!

I wasn't able to finish this letter when I started it--the master returned with ideas for my employment. Makes no difference that I take my lunch hours in which to write you. So, lest the same thing happen again, I'll finish quickly. JF took the train back ~~the next day~~ *that afternoon (Mon.)* since they were then running on some sort of schedule and because he had to be back Tuesday morning early to take Dr. Ruch's class, the latter having succumbed suddenly to an appendix.

Madeline and I stayed over until Tuesday morning because JF didn't want us to start home in the pouring rain, though indeed we were hard put to it to find a time when it wasn't coming down in torrents. We did have about a half hour late Monday when the heavens withheld their moisture long enough for us to get ourselves propelled down the boardwalk in a vehicle pushed by a sleepy, loose-jointed colored lad who said at the end "The chair is a dollar and whatever you think I'm worth." M and I were much amused.

We were all highly entertained by your verses on the "abject object"--though I must say that when I ever encounter the subject of your diatribe, I feel as if I were the abject object! And JF chuckled deeply over all the verses culled from the high-toned ladies magazine (the word order could only be thus!). In fact, we all think your letters are very special, whether on the lighter or the more serious subjects of life! This was unanimously agreed in Atlantic City.

Oh, Oh, I hear voices. Lucia has gone to Boston to prepare herself and whatever or whomever else needs preparing for the big reunion on Monday. JF is trying valiantly to keep up with his friend Peter Buck from some blue Pacific isle, and Madeline and I are in the throes of getting the index and the last proofs ready for Reinie on Monday--and that's the news from us at this time.

Warm salutations from

Another young lady from Kent

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21 May 1946

My dear Bill:

Congratulations on going home. This is the best possible news. You will have no doubt discovered by now how important stretch reflexes are, especially those of the knee extensors. Your knee jerks will probably have disappeared like those of an old parietic. It will be fun to watch them come back.

I have your note from Elmer Belt, also a pleasant memo from C.D. I have sent Belt some information about our whole-time materials and I have also sent him the galleys of the Cushing biography bearing on the full-time plan, as you will see from the enclosed copy of my letter. I don't like to send him the volume of reprints until this blinking railway strike is settled.

I am thinking about going to the Bicentenary Newton celebrations which the Royal Society is holding in July. It seems desirable to be as far as possible from Boston when the biography appears! We are well along in the page proof--page 586 (714 in all), but there have been all sorts of annoying delays. The engravings, for example, which were submitted last January have not as yet appeared and we are having a devilish time getting enough paper, but Charles Thomas still hopes to have something to show at the A.M.A. meeting the first week of July in San Francisco.

I am giving next Monday, the 27th, the Garrison Lecture which you so cheerfully wished off on me. The title is "Science in American Universities, 1936-1946," and I am having great fun with it. A number of amusing things have turned up, among others that Yale University had never had a duly accredited science department within the framework of its by-laws until June 1945 when the Sheffield Scientific School, which was a corporation separate from the University itself, became dissolved. Yale has never had a scientist on its Corporation and that august body presides now over the destiny of \$50,000,000 now used to support the laboratory sciences. Next year we celebrate the centenary of Sheff and I have been asked to give the historical address. I am sure the officers of the University will regret their choice.

With best wishes,

Yours ever,

Enc.

P.S. Madeline and Perky are working like mad over the index and your good friend Elizabeth T. is reading page proof, when I don't interrupt her with letters to you and the Garrison Lecture.

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21 May 1946

Dr. Elmer Belt
1893 Wilshire Boulevard
Los Angeles, 5, California

My dear Dr. Belt:

Our good friend Bill Francis has sent me your letter asking for a photostat of Osler's open letter to President Remsen on "wholetime" clinical professors. We have a copy of this rare piece but it is bound up in a group of pamphlets on full-time and since I am sure that the volume itself will be of great interest to you, I am having it sent to you under separate cover by registered mail. The materials contained therein are of course unique and irreplaceable, and I hope you will let me have the volume again as soon as you have perused it.

On second thought I have decided to hold the volume until this wretched railway strike threat is settled as it would be very uncomfortable to have it go astray.

I have been obliged to go into full-time rather fully in the Cushing biography which is now in page proof. I enclose the relevant galleys 156-160, and also the galleys of Chapter X which will interest you in connection with your plan for a university hospital. Needless to say, we all wish you well in the new undertaking and hope that the new school prospers.

With kind regards,

Very sincerely yours,

John F. Fulton, M.D.

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24 April 1946

*recd over.
look for corresp.
copy it for time please
W.H.*

My dear Bill:

I am simply delighted with your breezy letter of Monday written in your own fair hand. I have passed on your messages to the distaff side and all were greatly pleased.

Your airy trouble would stir your interest in that fine 18th century piece known as "L'Art de Peter." I have the first edition of it and I think you would enjoy its subtle approach to the gaseous problem. My only advice is that for the moment you must avoid travelling by air as Boyle's Law is immutable.

We have received from the Oxford Press a brief life of W.O. by John Ruhrah. I seem to recall having seen the manuscript once before, and in going over it I find that you have also perused it and have left many relevant comments and emendations. I don't now recall how I happened to see it earlier but I suspect that it may have been sent to me for an opinion by Paul Hoeber. What impression of the manuscript did you form and what recommendations did you make? I rather imagine that you probably advised "agin" it and that was the reason why it disappeared for ten years.

The Oxford Press, it seems, is bent on keeping W.O.'s memory green and they seem eager to issue a third biography. I hate to be-devil you with a question of this sort but knowing that your memory for such things never fails, I felt certain you could give cogent advice. I have formed a very poor opinion of the manuscript but I am not sure whether, with a good deal of redrafting, something might not be made of it.

The H.C. pageproof has begun to come--52 pages of it so far--and all of the galleys have now been corrected. We miss your expert advice, but I shall be ever grateful to you for the time you so generously put on the manuscript last January.

Devotedly always,

John

P.S. Ethel Wigmore sails today on the Queen Mary.

P.S.S. I enclose a jolly little Easter card which you may find diverting.

26.4.46

Dear John.

Miss Noyes told me they were resurrecting
Ruhk's "Oster" and I refrained from telling
her how disturbed I was to hear it. I
condemned it about ten years ago, as
totally and I could to her & in no un-
certain terms to the proposed publisher,
who, I think, was not Hoeber but
Vautrin (?) of the Oxford Press, N.Y. I
will ask Miss Dushenko to see if she can
find the correspondence to send to you.
The thing was written rotten & its only
virtue was the analyses it gave of
D.O.'s writings. ^{Leon's}

Thanks for the cancer's Easter card. Helen

Bain wrote me that Ethel Weymore had
been in Montreal. Apparently she was
too rushed to get to see me. She was
a wonderful person.

The Art of Peter, so to speak is an
old friend. J.R. Chadwick sent
it to Esler during my student days.
Look up Esler's letter to him concerning
it in the biography. H.C. was much
amused when I interpreted the reference
& showed him the book about 1924. I have
been behaving better that way lately but
am a bit down this morning because I
woke up last night with half an hour's
pain, not had enough to call the nurse.
My good doctor makes light of it.
The best to you & the gals.

R.M.

W. J. Fulton

DR. JOHN F. FULTON
333 CEDAR STREET
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15 April 1946

My dear Bill:

It was very good of Hilda to write to your dictation and from the general tone of your letter I have ceased to worry about you. Madeline was much entertained by the story of your wartime attack of herpes.

Over the weekend you were many times mentioned as your good friends Mildred Naylor and Ethel Wigmore turned up for the weekend. I am certainly impressed with Ethel's energy, directness and diplomacy. She is really a wonderful person for us to have in England and she will do much to serve the common interests of medical libraries on the two sides of the Atlantic.

Mary Louise Marshall writes this morning that she is flying up to Baltimore on the 23rd to pinch hit for you. This is really excellent and I know that she will do a magnificent job.

Please don't trouble to answer this. I will send you bulletins from time to time and try to keep you posted about the progress of the biography. We are starting to read the galleys of the eighteenth chapter this afternoon.

With all good wishes.

Yours ever,

John

YALE

14.V.46

Dear Dr. Bill:

Your p.c. to the

Dynamo That arrived this morning
cheered us no end -- That's what even
the sight of your handwriting can do.
I'm sorry you're still  in bed but
hope This may greet you at home rather
than at the T.R.V. H.

We're all slaving over page-proof, and
I'm trying to do the Index with the help of Perky.
I shudder to think what you may think of the
result but I trust it won't be a disgrace. John
will have a go at it when the final editing
comes, so that will save it from perdition.

He's had a great time writing headings, and many of them have come out amusingly. One, "Visit to the Heart of Midlothian", came out a bit more amusing than he intended -- that is if the H. of M. is what I think. Neither of the Scotsmen here at present (one Glasgow, the other Edinburgh) have any ideas -- bored to tears by Scott!

The page proof is coming, though very slowly indeed; John L. Lewis is reaching even into our lives. Which reminds me: Charlotte Peters seems to be sponsoring Mrs. Tokes during his N. H. visit to-day. She's gone into politics (is making speeches, I hear. & I'm afraid she will have joined the P. A. C. long ere this. What a change!



John should be the first-year

class examples of all the primates in the colony last Saturday, and a nice big chimp greeted him most affectionately, which sent the class in an uproar. Most amusing.

This week-end Solly Zuckerman will be here, having just arrived from London by air -- & John is going to show him off to the class on Sat. I think I'll go to see how he behaves.

Mrs. Cush. has recently lost her gall-bladder, but all is well and I imagine she is home again now.



I send you my love
and hope you'll have
gotten out of the
clutches of the medico

by now. I was going to use HC's A CHEERY NOTE
expression -- but thought better of it! Affectionately,
OR
Madeline

DR. JOHN F. FULTON
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9 April 1946

My dear Bill:

You must think me a very casual fellow not to have written you earlier to sympathize in your slight mishap. I didn't get back from Minnesota until the middle of last week and, although Lucia knew that you had not been well, we did not appreciate until yesterday afternoon what was really up. Hilda had written us both and as soon as we had her letters I called her on the telephone.

Since you have given up smoking I will give you an excellent prognosis and, all things considered, a warning of this sort is probably a good thing for we all tend to overdo until one comes our way.

The sad part for your friends is that you will not be able to go to Baltimore on the twenty-third, but I know you will be very much there in spirit and I hope someone is at hand who can tell your story about W.O. and the roses.

We have had the nicest letters from members of the M.L.A.. I was not in St. Louis long enough to see the St. Louis contingent after their return, but I saw Isabelle Anderson in St. Paul and talked with Frida Pliefke in Minnesota. I found my family well and in good spirits and on arriving in New Haven all of the galley of the biography was here - 300 in fact. You can imagine what we have been up to over the weekend.

I will send you bulletins from time to time. Don't think of trying to write yourself for we shall call Hilda now and again for the latest news. Your paper given at the University Library that Tuesday will long remain one of the most vivid and pleasant memories of our meeting.

Devotedly always,

John

Jale.

100 DEEPWOOD DRIVE
NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT

Dear Bill,

April 4th

We are so upset you had
to collapse on your return.
Whatever is it you are
allergic to on these trips?
It can't be Wild Rocks, you
don't spend enough time
here.

I do hope you are better
and that you can find out
what in the Dickens it is.

You were so kind to write.
We a lovely N.B. letter when
you must have been so
uncomfortable.

Poor Washline has collapsed
with Herkes, shingles about
her left eye. Did you?

she have any close dates? I just couldn't keep track of you Bill thru last visit.

I guess next time Hilda better gate-crash - and see that you get vaps and to bed on time.

John is back full of zip. He is one of the world's seven wonders! He really belongs in the Circus business he is so handy.

No one can keep up with him. We all fall by the wayside one after another. His hands are full now, machine ill and probably for several weeks and all his galley proof to go over! Show he will stay close to home over his Smithing for a time.

Our lovely days are over, they were all made and ordered for the library meetings. It is

raw and cold again. But it has left the garden still full of flowers and a show with yellows, purples and white.

I had a lovely letter from Mildred Maylor, Miss Schram, the Larleys, Perley, and numerous others, about a dozen. They trouble me every day, so I guess if your machine & I gave you all it was worth it.

Much love Bill, I do hope you are feeling more like yourself again.

Dosha - pough

Lucia Fulton

YALE
Miss Fulton

OSLER LIBRARY,
30 March, 1946.

Dear "Oosha",

It is a disgrace that your kind letter of the 27th to Hilda should have arrived this a.m. before I've written you my bread-and-butter-and-port letter. Hilda was much touched. You say much nicer things about me than I deserve, but I wish I was a dictaphone and could pass on all the nice things my numerous girl-friends had to say about you.

I'm not surprised if we exhausted you, but you managed to disguise the fact perfectly.

I'm now struggling with an invitation to speak in California which everybody but me thinks I should accept. It never rains but it pours.

I didn't need the razor, thank you. I washed up and breakfasted at home.

I had such a good time. Many thanks. Tell Marts, with my love, that the only disappointment was that she and Franc didn't turn up.

I hope you are enjoying a peaceful time and recovering, and that Chocky has stopped barking at that cat.

Affect'ly

Bill

WFF:CD

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Historical Library

13 March 1946.

Dear Dr. Bill:

Thank you for your very nice letter of the 9th, though I was sorry to learn that you had been enduring a very flooey flu. You can be sure I understand and commiserate. Just at the moment, however, I'd really welcome the 'flu if I could escape from the various things that are impinging upon me. There are ~~there~~ the thousand and one details of the meetings, planning for the Advisory Board meeting (now postponed till 3 P.M. to catch B.-J. and G.M. Smith - I failed to let you know, for I remembered about the 6 a.m. train and thought it would make no difference), trying to read H.C. galley proof (now up to 44 galleys, the first 19 of which were dummied here by the printer oh Monday), and now a few moments ago the proof of the April issue of the Journal of the History of Medicine appeared as John had said "we" would like to read it. I have at least to do the Goldschmidt-Weil-Jefferson part of it, so you can see I really am not idle. MEANWHILE, John is at Atlantic City! I don't suppose I should say to you JUST LIKE A MAN but I do. Mobs of people threaten to come, and the 150 mark is going to be pasted, I am sure. I hope I live long enough to be present at the post-hash party. Will you stay for that?

The BLASTED Blast reprints have not appeared yet, but I've sent a chit to Miss Wheeler telling the date and volume number.

I telephoned to Miss Withington at the Sterling Library to ask about a lantern and she said of course; as a matter of fact, she wanted to use one herself & was debating whether to ask Mr. Babb, and now the way was made easy! Don't worry about your speech; everyone loves you too much to make that necessary.

A bientôt. Madeline S.

✓ YALE

Middletown Turnpike
Clintonville, Conn.
12 March 1946

Dear Dr. Francis,

Out of the shadowy medium of nonentity this greeting comes to you. I have of late been consorting with the shapes of JF's past (ghost meets ghost, as it were!) and find it a very robust past indeed. Even in his youth he seems to have written many people many letters and the replies about such things as raw muscle and knee twitches are not what you would call easy reading. I was therefore delighted to come upon a file of your letters and have been very grateful to you for brightening my days. I was told not to throw out a one, so even the "confidential and indecent" ones are being preserved for posterity.

The day you left New Haven in a burst of verse on "Between the Lines" I penned an appropriate response, but JF kept our noses so close to the grindstone that I never did have time to send it off. And on the last day of the biography, between pages 35 and 36 of the last chapter, I found myself, due to a chain of expected circumstances, over in the emergency operating room across the street. "Lady" trouble, as our neighbor delicately called it. I was much amused by the whole proceeding. In the operating room I was divested of what little covering still remained to me (i.e. one of those little coats which cover the top upper front only) by a stalwart figure with mustachios protruding from either side of his mask, giving him quite a piquant look. This uncereemonious unrobing was all due to a technicality, I discovered. A patient from the surgical examining rooms must change to an operating room coat before entering the portals of the latter. This was all counterbalanced by a very formal introduction to the anesthetist, however, whose enthusiastic greeting was very gratifying until I discovered it stemmed entirely from his discovery of the accessibility of my veins. I was only in hospital three days and the whole performance doubtless took less time and energy than your recent flu, from which I trust you are completely recovered.

Madeline says she and I will only be able to wave to you over the backs of the admiring females which, I mean who, will surround you when in New Haven shortly. So I want to say that I did my best, at your parting request, to persuade JF that you ought not to have to make a speech, but to no avail. I don't want it on my conscience that I even remotely contributed to the paralyzing spectacle of you on the platform sans notes and pajamas which M. was chuckling over yesterday! And now back to the proof with the hope of seeing you again soon.

Thingumabob

(otherwise known as Elizabeth Thomson, without the p)

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Historical Library

1 March 1946.

Dear Dr. Bill,

You know, I don't believe I ever thanked you for your prompt reply to my S.O.S. about the translation of the Oxford degree citation. It was greatly appreciated, and a corrected page was forwarded promptly to Mr. Gehner, but then I just didn't make the grade any further. I know you won't hold it agin me, but I do not want to have anything on my conscience when you next appear - I shall need all my wits to try and keep up with all your other gal friends who are waiting with bated (I almost wrote baited!) breath to see you.

No proof yet, so John has already gotten into all kinds of mischief, it being 1 March and he feeling the urge to start in on something. Did anyone tell you that Mrs. Peters has given up work as of to-day? Mary Wheeler is going to move into the Library office and take over the J. Neurophysiol. and I don't know what else. We're in a tizzy in this Library (at least Miss Wildes and I are!) over preparations for the M.L.A. It looks as though there were going to be a mob, and how everyone is going to be cared for remains a problem. The Taft has clamped down; and we've not dared to suggest to anyone who has reluctantly promised to feed us that there would be more than 150! At present it looks as though there might be many more. I'm glad Mill Rock is taking you to its bosom so there will be a comforting feeling of your security. The thought that you are coming buoys me up more than anything else - and I need it!

À bientôt,

Wackhu S.

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27 February 1946.

Dr. W. W. Francis,
The Osler Library,
McGill University,
Montreal, P.Q., Canada.

My dear Bill:

At long last, transportation seems to have eased up sufficiently to call an annual meeting of the Advisory Board of the Historical Library. There are a number of rather pressing problems of policy which require guidance from the Board, and I very much hope that our members will find it possible to foregather on Sunday morning, 24 March, at 10.00 A.M. in New Haven.

The date is suggested so as to coincide with the meeting of the Medical Library Association. I enclose provisional agenda for the Advisory Board meeting.

Sincerely yours,


J. F. Fulton, M.D.

We are counting on you both!


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26 February 1946.

My dear Bill:

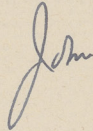
Your paper will be listed simply as "Titles and
Blurbs", as you request.

The latest on the couplet is contained in the enclosed
letter from Professor Hendrickson[†]. It is in line with one of
your early suggestions, so I am sure it is right.

We still don't know where in Isidore it comes.

Have you seen the reference to Castiglioni and "Gone
with the Wind" in the March Ladies' Home Journal?

Yours ever,



Dr. W. W. Francis,
The Osler Library,
McGill University,
Montreal, P.Q., Canada.

OSLER LIBRARY,
20 Feb., 1946.

Dr. John F. Fulton,
Historical Library,
333 Cedar Street,
New Haven,
Conn., U. S. A.

Dear John,

If my paper must stand, make the title read (as I implored), "Titles and blurbs". They'll not all have blurbs and they'll not all be early books. But pass me by, if possible. I don't want to have to put it into print.

If Mrs. Peters notes mere mentions of Vesalius here is one from Thomas Moffett, "Healths improvement," Lond., 1655 (B. O. #3480), p. 69: "Thus much out of Galen for the praise of Pork; whom albeit Realdus Columbus, and Vesalius do oppugne in their Anatomies concerning the likelihood of a mans and a hoggs entrails; yet none hitherto denyed Pork to be a temperate meat, being corned and roasted, or sodden after it hath been well powdered."

Our Classics dpt. and the chief adagist of the University Library have returned your "Live as to" query - no light, "It might very well come from Seneca, and the first part is certainly reminiscent of Plato's Phaedo."

"Functions" - I'm not sure about wifely participations. Do they come to the dinner? I think so. Anyway, put Hilda down for, say, anything that Lucia will attend, and for the dinner, if allowed.

Yours ever,

Bill

WJF:CD

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18 February 1946.

My dear Bill:

I had heard that there is some mystification about where Dr. Gunther hid the things from the Science Museum. My hunch would be somewhere in his house on Folly Bridge; but he might have taken them to the country, and Heaven knows where.

Do keep your mind on the menu. We are thinking of using the woodcut border from the 1551 edition of Paré's Head Injuries for the first page of the program, but I think we ought to have something a little brighter for the menu, something that will be a little gay and appealing after Mill Rock refreshment. I am sure you will find just the right thing.

Yours ever,



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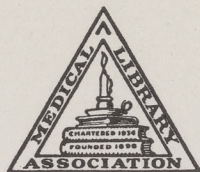
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16 February 1946.

My dear Bill:

You are promptness itself! Our reason for scheduling your paper during the afternoon session at the University Library lies in this: that liaison is a two-way business and we felt that in return for what they will give the Association, we should offer our most tasty piece to show our appreciation. The title will of course be changed to "Titles and blurbs in early printed books". I know you will fascinate them.

By all means come Sunday morning. I won't promise to meet you, but I shall assuredly be up by the time the taxi reaches Mill Rock. If not, a little gravel thrown up at my window will do the trick.

I am planning to call a meeting of the Advisory Board, and Sunday morning at ten would seem to be the best time for it. If necessary, we could go on into the afternoon, but that evening we expect to have a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Medical Library Association, so it will be a full day, but not too full.

Your "Functions" have been passed on to Miss Wildes who will duly record them. It is so nice that Hilda will be able to be with you. How about her "Functions"? In which will she be interested?

I had a nice letter from your daughter (in which she referred to you as "Willie"), and we have also received six copies of CAMSI containing my blast article. If in the further cache there are twenty-five more, I could use them.

Strickland Gibson points out that in our Fifth Annual Report we paid an unintended compliment to Great Britain by referring to Polydore Vergil's book as *Historia angelica*!

Yours ever,

J. F. Fulton, M.D.

OSLER LIBRARY,
16 February, 1946.

Dr. J. F. Fulton,
Historical Library,
333 Cedar St.,
New Haven,
Conn., U. S. A.

Dear John,

I suppose you haven't "charge of any package deposited by Dr. Gunther" early in 1940? The Times, 3 Jan., 1946, says that he and the janitor both died without leaving a clue to the whereabouts of some of the most valuable items in the Oxford Science museum!

In my yesterday's letter, I said nothing about your ambitious plans for the printed program and menu. I really have no originality or invention along those lines, and so far I've racked my brains in vain. I was looking through Moffatt's "Healths Improvement," 1655 (#3430) this morning - lots of quaint sayings, but not very adaptable to a modern menu.

If any inspiration is vouchsafed, I'll let you know.

Yours ever,

Ruf

WWF:CD

OSLER LIBRARY,
14 Feb., 1946.

Dr. J. F. Fulton,
Historical Library,
333 Cedar Street,
New Haven,
Conn., U. S. A.

Dear John,

Did you ever get six copies of CAMSI we sent you ten days ago, containing your "blast" article? I think Marian wrote you recently that she's discovered a huge cache, which you may want. I understand that she proposes to send you the entire remainders. Perhaps it would be better if you let me know how many you can do with.

I am much impressed with the program, and much depressed with one of its items. Fortunately, you've put me last of four in one crowded hour, so I can doubtless be "read by title". Only, please make the title read, "Titles and blurbs." I know of only two advertisements, not enough to go to press on.

X I might add a few other peculiar titles. I don't propose to try to write a paper for publication.

I've been commandeered in a weak moment for a job in Baltimore in April, which is already insomniating me.

I enclose my Functions slip. Please pass it on to Miss Wildes. It was good of Lucia to ask Hilda and me to the house. H. has written her. Marian ought to be happily settled up in the hills from next week for two months, so Hilda will be free to come with me. I find there is no day train on Sunday, so I fear we'll have to arrive early Sunday morning. I am not on the Executive, so I don't have to be there that day. We could arrive in time Monday morning, so please tell me frankly whether we should do that out of consideration for Lucia and the household. It will be their busy week.

Yours ever,

WWF:CD
Incl:-

X P.S. I'd rather you suppressed an entire, please do so, if as seems evident, you have enough material.

Bill.

Miss M. Stanton,
Historical Library,
355 Cedar Street,
New Haven,
Conn., U. S. A.

Thanks for sending the translation. I knew I had made one before and that it would be found on your return if I steadfastly refused to do it all over again! Here it is with some necessary changes.

Don't let John put me on the program for a silly paper in March, or I won't come, so there!

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AFFILIATED WITH THE NEW HAVEN HOSPITAL ON THE
ANTHONY N. BRADY MEMORIAL FOUNDATION

DEPARTMENT OF INTERNAL MEDICINE

NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT

February 5, 1946.

My dear Dr. Francis:- How good of you to
remember Scotty and me with a clipping about
"Nemo" Chisholm. Scotty heard the original
blast. We are delighted to know his friends
are rallying round. I enjoyed our visit
at the Fultons with our talk of the Hopkins
and old friends - The Ennings and the Parfitts.
I look forward to your next visit to New
Haven. Good luck, best wishes

Sincerely

Marion E. Howard

Mrs. Ogilthorpe

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DR. HARVEY CUSHING

333 CEDAR STREET
NEW HAVEN CONNECTICUT

2 February 1946.

Dear Dr. Bill:

Chapter XIX was mailed last evening at 6.30, and this morning the Dynamo has reverted and is once again a Physiologist [or should I say physiologist??]. Now there's nothing to do but pick up all the loose threads and start excavating in my room.

We finally wore the Author down and he agreed to take that long Latin citation for the Oxford degree out of the text; but he is quickly having it photographed so that it can appear as a line-cut! He has, however, included the translation that you made for Dr. Cushing, a copy of which I enclose. He thought that you might wish to reread your 'rendition' and perhaps make a few changes (I trust only in the latter part!), especially the lines that have been kept in Latin. If you do wish to revise it in any way, will you let us have the revision as soon as may be?

There's a dinner for Miss Annie Goodrich, aet. 80, this evening, and the nurses have put up an exhibit in the rotunda in her honour - very good indeed.

We're looking forward to your visit again in March. Maybe you'll make it every other month from now on instead of every other decade!

Yours ever affectionately,

Madeline S.

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333 CEDAR STREET
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2 February 1946.

Dear Bill:

We have two problems for you. One is the menu for the Medical Library Association meeting. This of course is of primary importance. The other is the program. Both should be printed, and we should like a little Osler-Francis-Hopkins-McGill atmosphere to make it a real Yale product.

On a separate sheet I include what we are hoping to have to eat, and we want it suitable annotated with a little bibliophilic embellishment like the D.N.B. dinner menu of 1903 or the Locke dinner. You will know just what to put and how to characterize the dishes. It will be a folded sheet with a front page, and we will leave it entirely to you to design. I shot my bolt on the Ned Streeter dinner and have run out of ideas.

What would you suggest as suitable for the front page of the program? This too will be a folded sheet, and we want to fill up all four sides of it.

With best wishes,

Yours ever,



Dr. W. W. Francis,
The Osler Library,
McGill University,
Montreal, P.Q., Canada.

COPY to Dr. Francis

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333 CEDAR STREET
NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT

23 January 1946

Presented to Dr. Francis
OSLER LIBRARY,
MCGILL UNIVERSITY,
MONTREAL, CANADA

Dr. Lamer et al.
Any suggestions? W. W. F.

Professor George L. Hendrickson
851 Branford College
Yale University

My dear Mr. Hendrickson:

Dr. Cushing was fond of quoting a couplet of which there are two versions:

"Live as to die tomorrow,
Learn as to live forever."

"Live as to die tomorrow,
Work as to live forever."

I propose to quote the couplet on the verso of one of the preliminary leaves of the biography since it seems to me to exemplify rather well much of Dr. Cushing's basic philosophy, but I am much embarrassed by not being able to trace its source. I had thought that it was inscribed somewhere in the Harvard Medical School, but the Librarian informs me that this is not the case and that when she referred the question to the Classics Department she received the following somewhat unexpected judgment: "The sentiment is doubtless from the Phaedo of Plato, but the translation is probably by some magazine writer and you will have a hard time trying to find it."

Can you help us?

Very sincerely yours,

J. F. Fulton, M.D.

Dear Bill:

Can the McGill classicists help us more than those of Harvard?

J.F.F.
J.F.F.

*Chaps I thought XV are
in - also all four mottoes
& illustrations J.F.*

FEB 1 '46

I have not succeeded
in tracing this anywhere.
There is a passage in
the "Pleado" with the
general idea - but it might
have come from many other
sources as well. Perhaps
it might be sent to the
Cassio dept. direct -
and I will try Prof. Jellum
if he appears.

R. T. T.

JAN 31 1948

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of Church's Dept that you
may see.

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Professor Woodhead

Any clue, please, from
learned ~~ad~~ adagists in
your dept.? My guess
would be stone-cutter's
verse.

W. W. Francis

12.11.46.

Kindly return to

Feb. 21

851 BRANFORD COLLEGE
(YALE UNIVERSITY)
NEW HAVEN

Dear Dr. Fulton

Reverting to the couplet which
you referred to me & which you have
found attributed to Isidore, I wonder if
you have made any headway in locating
it. I venture to make a suggestion
about it to this effect. Unless you find an
authentic source & form of the two
lines, & quote it without such a source,
I would suggest that the order of the two
lines should be inverted

Live as to die tomorrow (the universal)
Learn as to live forever (the specific)
The emphasis & the lesson being contained

in the second line, framed against
the universal (statement) of the first.

Yours &c

E. L. Hurd



McGILL UNIVERSITY
MONTREAL

Feb.15,1946

Dear Dr. Francis,

I am afraid that I can shed no light on the source of your quotation. It might very well come from Seneca, and the first part is certainly reminiscent of Plato's Phaedo: but I do not know where to look for the original, and the other members of my department are equally in the dark.

Yours sincerely

J. D. Woodhead

Dr. W.W.Francis
Osler Library
McGill University

OSLER LIBRARY,
23 January, 1946.

Mrs. C. H. Peters,
Librarian, Laboratory of Physiology,
333 Cedar Street,
New Haven 11,
Conn., U. S. A.

Dear Mrs. Peters,

John's paper, "Nature and treatment of blast injuries", was printed in CAMSI, vol. 3, no. 1, pp. 15-16, dated April 1944, but issued in Nov. 1944 (when the non-existent no. 2 was due!). I'm sending you 6 copies under separate cover and with the editorial Brat's apologies. She has a vague conviction that she carefully instructed the printer to send John proofs and reprints. She threatens to write John a contrite letter, realizing that she treated him scurvily. But I will say for the Thing that all the rest of the editorial board that year left everything to her, and that I was so prejudiced against their trades-union rag that I didn't give her the help I might.

The tune turns out to be by Sir Edwain Cooper Perry (1856-1938), F.R.C.P., Dean of Guy's and Vice-chancellor of London University. I haven't found that he showed any other interest in Vesalius. In his pre-midical days he compiled the anthem book of King's College Chapel, Cambridge.

If you need the hymn book for the collection I'll send it to you, but I have old Baltimore and Oxford associations with it. I don't find this tune in any of five other hymn books which I have. The Century people in N. Y. ought to be able to find you an old edition, even if the book isn't still current. They might have a record of the source from which they got this tune. Here is a description of my copy.

"In excelsis, hymns with tunes for Christian worship.
Seventh edition. New York. The Century Company, 1900."

xxvi, 741 pp. 8vo.

Copyright on back of title: 1897, 1899, 1900. "Publisher's Note," dated Jan. 1897, gives no editor or compiler.

On p. 707 the tune of hymn 876 is called VESALIUS and the composer's name is given as "E. C. Perry (1856-)". The hymn begins, "Father, in thy mysterious presence kneeling ...", and is by "S. Johnson, 1846" - evidently not the Sam.!

*X plus one of 1945, contains an article by Hoffmann on it which
man thought even would be interested in*

WBF:CD

*Why did keep in a communique! Not
this time way to circulate as lib.*

Quarterly, 1945

Yours sincerely

W W F

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Dr. W. W. Francis,
Osler Library,
McGill University,
Montreal, Canada.

Dear Dr. Francis:

I was sorry only to have occasional glimpses of you while you were in New Haven, but you were so completely Cushinged under that one hardly dare approach you.

I am writing now to remind you of the Vesalian hymn tune which you promised. Also would you ask your daughter about John's paper for the student journal? We would like to see a copy if it ever appeared.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Charlotte H. Peters

Charlotte H. Peters
Librarian, Physiology

W. L. Garrison *Langdon*

YALE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF MEDICINE
333 CEDAR STREET · NEW HAVEN · CONNECTICUT

Historical Library

14 January 1946.

Dear Dr. Bill:

I was told to write to you on Saturday, but I never got to it - mea culpa. The reasons for the order were to enclose the postal card (which I do herewith) and to send you thanks for the copy of the Osler Iconography. What a formidable (or at least impressive) one it is! If I ever get around to doing one of H.C., it will be little more than a page. Meanwhile, we are most happy to have your compilation to add to our Osleriana.

I hope you won't think that I need to be ordered to write you - you know better than that. But life is very hectic here for the nonce. The exhibit finally got put up in the Art Gallery, and in spite of two days (and nights) of labour, I did not collapse, so I judge I am fully recovered from the late unpleasantness. It was rather heroic treatment, but it worked. John's speech went off well, with about 75 people present, and now some Art Magazine is going to reprint part of the speech, along with three or four illustrations. So it goes. I guess it was really worth while though I had moments of doubt. When the two rooms were finally completed, they really looked very stunning and I wish you might have seen them. The six Jobst de Necker plates had been put in temporary frames and were hung in a row beside the large portrait, and they were handsome. There was a whole wall with things of H.C.'s both in cabinets and hanging up; Clem Fry finally came through with some twenty-five prints; and there was a small wall that we had to devote to some gory drawings of the local artist.

14 January 1948

Handwritten Library

Mr. Gehner comes up bright and early on Wednesday morning to gather in the rest of the illustrations and as much of the MS. as we can have ready for him. We worked like dogs over the week-end and are hitting now at ten chapters, with the rest to be in by the end of the month. The last-minute things are what take the time - you know! How I wish you could have stayed on; and how much more I wish that I hadn't been so stupid while you were here. Take care of that sore throat; I hope I wasn't responsible for it in any way!

Yours affectionately,

Madeline

OSLER LIBRARY,
13 January, 1946.

Miss Madeline Stanton,
The Historical Library,
333 Cedar St.,
New Haven,
Conn., U. S. A.

Dear

Wm. Salmon's Pharmacopoeia. In your two eds., 336 & 37, what is Salmon's address at the end of the Preface, A7(?) and of the text, p. 353(?), in 1678 and 1696. In our 1691 ed. he was at the "Blew Balcony ... near Holborn Bridge", but we also have another ed. lacking title-page and without date, except the unchanged year of the original Imprimatur, and I want to know if it is earlier or later than 1691. The address, "the Great House at Black-Fryars-Stairs" is exactly the one which the D. N. B. doesn't mention.

How thrilling (not to say enthralling or overwhelming) to get "Uncle Klesby's" collection at last. Any rest for the weary these days?

x mas card - black sheep!

*Long may
we
live*



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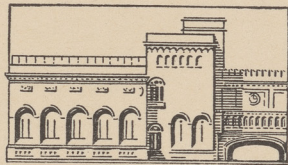
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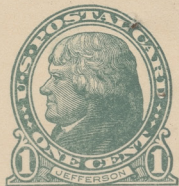
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10 January 1946

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Dr. W. W. Francis
The Osler Library
McGill University
Montreal, Quebec

Dear Bill:

That moist ditty about the Pedigreed Piddling Pup has thrown the Library and the Department into a mild convulsion. I am about to take it across to Oporinus, who is a dash prostrate from loss of his prostate two days ago, but on the whole doing well, and I am sure he will do better after he has seen your epic verse.

We are making progress, but things have been rather interrupted by that blankety-blank exhibit at the Art School, which is being opened this afternoon. It has really developed quite attractively, but we have been paralyzed for the last three days as far as anything else was concerned. I enclose a copy of the notice, which will probably amuse you. I wish you were making the opening comments. You left just too soon.

You are more than conscientious to return the seven unspent dollars. Lucia handed them to me yesterday.

Yours ever,

Jm.