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DR. HARVEY CUSHING

333 CEDAR STREET
NEW HAVEN CONNECTICUT

28 November 1947

My dear Bill:

I have been very remiss in not acknowledging your welcoming card which I found just a week ago shortly after I stepped off the plane the day after the wedding. It was a great ceremony and I was glad that my plane was delayed so that I could see something of it (from the vantage point of atop one of the lions in Trafalgar Square).

You mention H.C. being at the International Ophthalmological Congress in 1929. Yes, he was there. Your quip about the H.C. biography "forever amb-ling" I must take as a great compliment. I don't know how Charles Thomas's mind works, but he missed the boat last Christmas by not doing anything about promotion and this Christmas he has not started the reprinting in time to have copies available, so this time he is not able to promote. I have moments of thinking he is the most stupid man that ever entered the book publishing business; but this is probably only the reaction of a temperamental author. Blackwell's in England had only 50 of their 1,000 copies on hand and they cannot get additional copies for Christmas owing to import restrictions.—and it being out of print.

On your recommendation I shall order "For doctors only."
Do you happen to know who H. Selwyn is?

With best wishes,

Yours ever,



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

~~ETHAN ALLE~~

+ typed & carbon copy
13.XI.47.

Dear Elizabeth

I had written, when I wrote you, that John would
be in England! Ben, as you say, does solve and I
did enjoy the ice cream. A little comic relief helps
helps and I wonder whether you couldn't have called
some more out of it, say, the family correspondence?
But I mean it when I say that I found the
entire book intensely interesting and a whole-
some corrective to my Hopkinsonian idea that
Mr. Gordon started graduate science on
this side.

In order to cut myself out of the "dog"
house, ^{or class,} here and my only cavillations:
cities;

p. 20, l. 25: tutelary diety [if Ben's, he should be see;
no occasion to add a k if 70ms!]

~~so~~ p. 59, l. 14 ~~the~~ Old Bailey needs the, like the Batteries
~~and~~ the Tombs. I see the West Rock, Opp.
p. 114, doesn't.

p. 84, l. 16: eundem

p. 154, l. 14: 60 titles to S.'s Journal, that has
repeatedly changed its name for
100 years! Fancies expert bibliographers
like you all rising in surprise that
time! ~~for~~ ~~for~~ Fix!

p. 171, l. 20: haven't you a Ben left out a have
before enriched?

Absolutely in of John's (Moss) is needlessly over-the-top every
although, e.g. p. 235 (Glenafar) & p. 234. At the top of p. 234 the two
words are far enough apart to make the 2nd one admissible, for once.

p. 175, lb. 17-18: It is disconcerting at times to
have a grammatical mind like a dis-
torting mirror. Creatures with 12 feet
on each leg, made me ~~gasp~~ ^{gasp}, till I
saw what you possibly means. But
make them 12 ft. long in the next ~~ed.~~ ^{ed.}!

p. 179, l. 5: it seems weird geography to
return from Boston "to N.H. by steamer
around N.Y." - circumnavigating

L. 1. ?

p. 226 I ~~never~~ ^{never} met a
to look up "deflagrator" before!
I see it is ~~not~~ ^{not}
fine & so the ~~deflagrator~~, ~~incinerator~~ or
I said NOT something for deflagrating the
delictor ~~it~~! ^{it}!

p. 203, l. 14. Genesee, & when I saw ^{lovely} the Valley.

p. 221, lb. 23-4: an hospitable but my British
ear did I realized that you put
the accent on the -spit - which
makes it right - a hostel but
an hotel.

p. 230, l. 25: Mount Plaine doesn't take the in
English, I think.

p. 232, l. 6 Darry's epitaph: I ~~never~~ ^{never} look it
up. Somebody's got the Bant. & the mouth
wrong, and? Baronet (or -et, poss-
ibly), and Maii (probably), the other
"Mai" is just possible. Baronet (in
J. Darry's "Memoirs", which confirms the emended
form "Mai" & has some mistakes).





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

43 Livingston Street:

New Haven 11. Conn.

November 12/Nov. 1947.

Dear Dr. Bill:

It seems unbelievable that I should have been back from holiday so long without sending you a proper thank-you for the good times you gave us in Montreal. It's a wonderful feeling to have seen The Osler library and to be able to visualize you as you go about your work -- knowing how you look at your desk, or when you retire to the far end of the room and bring out your "ladies" for special display! Did Elizabeth tell you that shortly after our return Henry Schuman wrote to say that someone in England wanted to know what the name of the person was who was Inspector General of Army Hospitals and turned out to be a woman -- Of course I'd forgotten, but at least I knew how to find it. The



are pip on the Island" and many others. What a good time you did give us. Now I wish you'd come down so that we could return the hospitality -

John seems to be having the usual good time in England. He celebrated his birthday with the Tuinheads & Dorothy Horstmann (who is at the National Institute in Hampstead this year). Then he went up to Edinburgh for the Simpson centenary, arriving in time to take part in the 150th anniversary of the death of James Hutton. This week-end, his lectures over. He goes up to Glasgow for a meeting of the British Neuro-surgeons, then to Oxford for the last few days before returning on the 19th. His lectures seem to have gone off well, although there was a

Index to the Catalogue is a most wonderful affair, and under "Women" I quickly found what I wanted! So the usefulness of the trip was soon demonstrated; and the happy memories remain undimmed - But I wonder if I dare remind you that there was something in the nature of a 'promise' of a photograph -- a most handsome photograph, may I say? I don't know whether you'd feel less shy at giving it to an institution than to an individual, but I'd be happy to spare one on any pretext, so do take the matter under consideration, always remembering that I am not a very patient individual -

We still recall that 'milk' at the University Club with amusement (and I with respect!), not to mention all the other good things we had to eat there and at your home; but best of all were the reminiscences over which we chuckle frequently -- "No one knows there

pea-soup fog the day of the second one. he
had to walk from the Mayfair to Gower Street.
and then the fog penetrated the room so
much that the audience all had to crowd
down front to see the lantern slides & films!

It's been made a 'Perpetual Student'
of Bart's, which seems to please him very
much; also a member of the neurosurgical
group - What more he may have picked
up in the way of fame & glory I don't know -

What do you suppose I'm doing at this
very moment? Listening to your friend, Thin-kun-sky
broadcasting from New Haven, Conn. Not bad,
either. for the end is the Brahms Fourth -
I hope you may be hearing it in Montreal -

Take care of yourself; and let us hear
from you not too infrequently - Any good
stories lately?

Affectionately,
Madeleine

With an an scotch Tan
& one pig sheet?
WWS

15 Nov. 47.

Dear Maddy,

I was super-eyed and delighted to get your beayotiful ill human-fated man-you-script-letter of the ~~12th~~ 12th instunt (the postmark says). But when Hilky ~~saw~~ the got an eyeful of the harts and two-lips (she sez they are) down the edge, she pertended to ~~go~~ ^{turn her} jellars and bot this FUNNY FRIENDS (no a fence ment) paper and sez I've gotta anser on it or else its Reno (whatever that means). She thinks I got the reelly-broolly hart disease last time I was down your way. She has the abso-lutely crazy ideas I must of ^{been} ^{met} kist some-body called Angelina Pecktrless! Who ever herd of such a thing! I don't believe there's a gal of that name in the Medical Lye-berry ~~ash~~ so-she-ashum or even in ^{anyways} the whole of Noo Heaven! But when wimmen's bonnets get bees in them its an A-bomb-enable buzz bizness to smooch them out.

on your
note You frightened state.

You wasn't phere at my jolly Mother wrong. It has never "No one knows there are pigs" But even when ~~for~~ its snout was poked thru the port gate and grunting at every passerby it was "Nobody knows WE have a pig on the Island." That's what ~~is~~ your nutty sigh-co^{peeped} now a days call ought-to suck ~~protein~~ just chin. For all I know she may be telling my late sister up there that nobody knows she's got both her husbands

past the party gates.

I sent my last photo to Rosie when she pretended to be dying. She says it cured her. I must try and procure another one if I can get the wear-wick. all out of Hilly for such a porpoise (that's meant for a joke on me, please). Do you like me sitting at the O'Shea desk looking as tho I'd left my teeth at home or standing up with not quite so much grace or class?

Sorry I didn't hear ~~Arthur~~ Conroe Fingy Brahmsing. When you heard him in N. H. did you tell him like I told you to about Beet. oven? It reminds me of the missionary Lady at Brats who tried to ring ^{the air} these hearts but only roused their risibles ~~by~~ with her everlasting Fancy ~~and~~ Nellie never having heard of God.

I remain (and so do Hilly really)

Your affectionate & funny friend

Little Willie

YALE

57 Ralston Avenue
Hamden 14, Conn.

9 November 1947

Dear Dr. Bill,

I have written you a dozen letters - in my mind - since our return to New Haven but none which adequately expressed my happiness at being in the Osler Library, and hearing you speak of your treasures so entertainingly and intimately, of my enjoyment of our evening at 1620 Cedar with Mrs. Francis and Marion, and most of all - our pleasure at having lunch with you twice at the Club. Your reminiscent mood was quite the best of all - and I shall not forget your mother and her serene belief that "nobody knows we have a pig on the island" and the other tales you delighted us with. It was over entirely too soon, but it will be a very precious memory.

Thank you for sending me 'The Little Jade Buddha' so promptly. He will be

a great comfort when I am obsessed with the Sturm und Drang of existence. Saw Lady Windemere's Fan yesterday. Oscar Wilde is still very amusing - some nice bits of philosophy there too - though of quite a different sort!

Your letter about the three publications arrived yesterday and cheered me enormously. To have such praise from you is very gratifying. I am afraid the dull part is still ahead of you though. Ben was a bit on the heavy side in his middle years, - mellowing as time went on. I hope you will be amused by the "icecream after hot toddy" when you get to it. I am consumed with curiosity to know what misprint we missed - you're a dog not to mention it! (I copied your letter to send to John because I knew it would please him so much.) And John is consumed with curiosity to know who is trying to reach him from Montreal. He called Lucia today by transatlantic phone. I expect Bill Gibson's plot to kidnap Sir Charles is behind it. Or is he wanting to announce an heir? Dr. Bell, when a girl by the name of Barbara Williams comes to see you, as I think she will be especially nice to her, will you? She will love you, immediately know & she's had a rough time & needs what you can give though don't hint that I told you so. She is a little older than I am and is

taking one or two courses at Mc Gill to get what she needs to prepare her for Medical School. She has been a very good friend of mine since College days in Boston - she was apparently in Montreal when I was there but I didn't know it. I am sorry to say,

John is having a busy but interesting time. Two of his lectures are behind him, three more come the 11th, 12th, and 13th. Last week-end he went to Edinburgh to the Simpson Celebrations but a hasty before-breakfast note said he thought they might be an anti-climax after the events marking the 150th Anniversary of the death of James Hutton which he had attended on the 3d.

We are not idle in his absence - there always seems to be work to do. I started to tell you when we were there that John's Henry Schuman had suggested that I collaborate with William White and get his Osler manuscript in acceptable condition. After I returned I read it and immediately decided I wanted no part of it.

When I told Henry Schuman he said,
all right, he would scrap that manuscript
& start anew. I wish you could do it.
Or failing you - John. Certainly I am
not the one, as Henry suggests. Is there
material of any interest at the library which
was culled or rather discarded from the
Cushing biography?

I must to bed - it nears the witching
hour - and while heady sleep at forty seems
a fine bit of optimism, a certain amount is
apparently needed to keep mind and fingers
moving in a forward direction on the morrow.

What shade your knees now? A
trifle faded no doubt?

With fond affection
Elizabeth

My best to Mrs. Francis, Marion, and to your
very nice secretary whose name I can't remember how
to spell at the moment. Dearest - Dearest ?!

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17 October 1947

My dear Bill:

Many thanks for your letter of the 15th enquiring about Joe McNinch, the new director of the Army Medical Library. McNinch is in charge of the Army's medical history of the second World War and when it became obvious that Colonel Gardner was having difficulties administering the Library, McNinch (as though he didn't have enough to do) was sent to straighten out the A.M.L. He is young (circa 40), looks like a gorilla, and is one of the ablest administrators in the Army, at least so Luther Evans says. Our chief worry is that he is so good the Army may pull him out for the General Staff.

At present the post of librarian is not filled. Wyllis Wright left last January to accept the librarianship at Williams College and an energetic young fellow named Scott Adams is "The Acting The Librarian." He was head of acquisitions and he has been remarkably successful in that capacity. Indeed things have been pouring in at such a rate that the Catalogue Division is shouting for mercy.

We had a good meeting last week which you will hear more about when you receive the minutes. I made a plea on your behalf with our hard-hearted Secretary-Treasurer who finds that the Constitution states that any Consultant who fails to attend three successive meetings will be dropped. You have adequate excuse for not attending, so I hope the axe will not strike.

To answer your question more directly, I should think that McNinch should be your ex officio curator as there is no librarian at the moment and you need have no uneasiness about McNinch as a person. You will be interested to learn that he has appointed an editorial board to effect a merger between the Quarterly Cumulative Index Medicus and the Index Catalogue. The Q.C.I.M. will be issued monthly, cumulated annually, and the annual cumulations with accessions to the A.M.L. will again be cumulated at five- or ten-year intervals and this final cumulation will replace the Index Catalogue. What do you think of the idea?

The Empire Medical Historians met while I was in California dining with Rosie. The Australians threatened to descend but so far we have not heard from them. MacNalty did not come but I believe he sent a representative. I had a nice letter from him a day or two ago anent the Vesalius Bio-bibliography.

I don't believe I thanked you for your letter about Rosie. Chauncey Leake and Herbert Evans were attending the Consultants meeting and we sent her a telegram. I have since had a nice letter from her. I expect that the prognosis is quite good--if she doesn't go on eating Halsted dinners!

Yours ever,



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

OSLER LIBRARY,
15 Oct., 1947.

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

Dear John,

Sorry I couldn't get to Washington. I see you were presiding. I gather from the "News" that a Col. McNinch is Director, what manner of man is he? And who is the Librarian? Did I see that he was on leave of absence?

W. O. named the Surgeon General's "Librarian" as an ex-officio "curator" of this Library, along with the chairmen of the library committees (not the professional librarians) of the C. P. Phila., and the Maryland Faculty. So when they split the A. M. L. office into two, I assumed that the military-medical Director, not the Librarian, would be our Curator. To my surprise the other Curators decided we could, and should, choose whichever one we thought would be the more useful to us! I've seen enough of the militant to know that that might cause trub.

But I'd like to tap your omniscience, in case the question of the relative merits of the two comes up next month! It's only omni(homini)science I give you; there are a few THINGS you don't know, e.g. the difference between u and v!

Also the News says there was a meeting in Ottawa last month of the Empire Medical historians of the 1939-45 war. Who (I blush to ask!) is the Canadian historian? I hope my old friend MacNalty wasn't here and away again without letting me know!

Yours ever,

Bill

WWF:CD

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~~Palt~~

Oct 14th

Extract from letter to Dr. W. W. Francis from Dr. E. Rosencrantz ,
Oct. 2, 1947.

"I'm in the hospital with left bundle branch
involvement - the left ventricle is making an effort
to keep me going.

How often I've thought of W. O. and Thayer these
days ... There is nothing I can do but to remain in
bed and think over the past."

Nov 8 J. F. F. S. X. 47

in this. This of the 6th says
Lucia had a disconnection with
for Nov 1st 1947.

AIR MAIL

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6 October 1947

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

My dear Bill:

I have many things to write you about, and I feel badly that our correspondence has lapsed for nearly three months. Yours enquiring about Jonathan Hutchinson arrived on Saturday, and I regret to report that we have no letters, only the eleven-volume set of his rather personal Archives of Surgery and a few of his other published works. There is, of course, a good pencil sketch of him - two, in fact - by H.C. which should be of interest to a biographer. If your friend in Scotland would like to have glossy prints of these, we shall be very glad to supply them.

Madeline and Elizabeth had a very happy time in Canada, and they were especially appreciative of all that you did for them; in fact, they have not ceased talking about it since their return. You really couldn't have been nicer.

We are all in a dither about the Centenary celebration of the Sheffield Scientific School and the four publications which the Historical Library has sponsored in connection with it. The Gibbs Ph.D. thesis and McKeehan's Yale Science, 1701-1801, have both appeared on schedule, but the Silliman has been delayed by binding difficulties in New York. We have had an unbound copy and we are now promised bound copies on October 10th with the official publication date October 15th. Henry Schuman is of course wild over the delay, but I think we will have all three books available for sale during the Centenary. The fourth publication is a catalogue of Yale College's early scientific instruments which we are placing on display in the University Library. In due course you will have copies of all four pieces, and I hope they will be of some interest to you. Meanwhile, every good wish for your health and wings which I understand you have developed.

Yours ever,

John

P.S. Lucia has had a rather disconcerting letter from Esther Rosencrantz' secretary saying that she has had a heart attack. We weren't quite certain from the phraseology whether she was being facetious or serious but we are awaiting further details. I trust the Halsted dinner was not too much for her.

OSLER LIBRARY,
2 Oct., 1947.

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

Dear John,

There must be a thousand things to write to you about, but if so, they'll have to wait. Meanwhile - a letter from England reminds me that I undertook to involve you.

Mr. A. E. Wales (head of the) Science Dept., Municipal College, Burnley, is writing a life of Sir Jonathan Hutchinson, apparently with the blessing of the family, including the son (a bit senile) who wrote last year's "Life and letters", and descended W. O., instead of G. R. O., from the one (of eighteen children) who escaped the Hutchinson massacre at Hell Gate!

The said W. wants any letters or other memorabilia of Sir J. H. and if he doesn't hear from you soon, he threatens to write to you direct, which evidently would have been wisest in the first place!

I hope you've recovered from the Rosie Halsted dinner. What a girl!

Your report, 1946-7, is most interesting - comments must wait. And your S.-T. C.!

Hope and E. got back in good condition. It was a joy to see them.

WWF:CD

Wm
Wm

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Historical Library

16 September

Dear Dr. Francis

I have started to type up
Dr. Guiton's Short. title Catalogue
and right off I need your
expert advice. Would you
peruse the "A's" which Made-
line is delivering in person
and make any suggestions
or notations on the copy.

I'm sure the girls will
enjoy the Asler Library as
much as Ed and I did a
few years ago.

Sincerely,

Perky

Mrs H. T. Perkins.

OSLER LIBRARY,
29 Sept., 1947.

Mrs. H. T. Perkins,
c/o Dr. J. Fulton,
Historical Library,
535 Cedar St.,
New Haven,
Conn., U. S. A.

Dear Perky,

Here are the unnumbered A's of your J. F. F. S.-T.C. -
much more promising than might appear from my unnecessarily rude
marginalia! But you all seem to get amusement ~~out~~ out of my old
hide-bound prejudices. I suspect that consistency binds you fast
to the inconsistencies of the H. C. S. T.-C., and I'm getting too
old to fight for Arnold of Villanova or Richard de Bury. But let
me catch you making a medial y into a y and the fun will fly as of
old. fun

I had a nice time with ^{III} and Elizabeth. They
weren't quite frozen. I hope you got rid of John most of the time
they were away. If not, he must have worked you all crazy! Greetings
to him and to your fine nautical not-quite-so-good half.

Yours sincerely,

W. L. F.

WLF:CD
Encl:-

PS. As for my namesake with whom Rosie confuses me,
you might point out to J. that more stranieri than
Dagoes are going to use this catalogue and who but a
Wop or a linguist is going to know FRANCESCO D'ASSISI
particularly without a santo preceded by a C O M M A.

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LABORATORY OF PHYSIOLOGY

5 May 1947

My dear Bill:

I am very sad to learn that you were freezing on May Day. This is most inappropriate but I am afraid that the British Socialists have been exporting more weather than Scotch.

Thanks for returning McDaniel's letter. We have since had a visitation from Mildred Naylor about which Madeline has already written you.

I am at the moment in a dither about the Sigerist dinner. I only wish you were going to be there to brighten me up. I have written funny, polite speeches by way of introducing the six who are going to talk and I am concluding that I have very little genius for this type of responsibility. You would do it to the queen's taste.

Henry Sigerist seems very determined to go back to Switzerland and I am rather doubtful whether he will come back to this country. He has had a warning similar to yours and he has his health very much on his mind. We are giving him Kleb's set of the Index Catalogue of the Army Medical Library, and the gifts such as yours for the gift fund will make possible a check for approximately \$1,000 which we are urging him to use for his history project. I trust you will approve.

With all good wishes,

Yours ever,


John Fulton

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

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NEW HAVEN CONNECTICUT

3 May 1947.

Dear Dr. Bill:

There's a letter from you here for the Dynamo (yclept in some quarters 'St. John'); he is in Washington today but will have it late this evening, I suspect. Meanwhile, I can tell you that Mildred paid us a visit on Tuesday. I talked to her (or mostly let her talk), took her out to the Barnacle for luncheon, and then John had a session with her afterwards. I think she will go to Cleveland; John said she must. My counsel all centered around keeping her tongue as with a bridle - not to mention, keeping her head. I tried to impress on her that if questions were put to her, she must answer them as simply and directly as possible, eschew highly descriptive adjectives (and adverbs) and keep her powder dry until it could be most effectively used. I'm afraid she won't be able to do it; she thought if my forbidding mug were on the horizon somewhere it might make the words stick in her throat, but as I don't believe I shall go I may have to sand a life-sized portrait!

She is of course most vocal about the new committee on the Exchange. I finally told her I thought the spirit behind it was abominable, but I still could see that a proper committee might have its points. I don't know enough to decide whether it would be better for her to let them have their committee (if it could be done without incorporating it at once into the Constitution) and then if things work out badly for her as a result, then she could cite chapter and verse. As it is now, she can see all sorts of horrid possibilities - probabilities, in fact; but until she can prove it, I fear that some will think she's trying to set up her own little dictatorship. Of course, if any way could be found to ram the true situation down the throats of the Association, I should think they'd all come crawling to her on their knees in thankfulness that she will do such an appalling task. If the Assn. is having such a difficult time finding a Treasurer, I can't understand how anyone in their right mind could possibly be cajoled into taking the Exchange. Ah well, I don't blame Mildred for getting impatient at such blindness.

I suppose "Rosey" will be paying you a visit since she is coming to New York for the Sigerist dinner and is coming to New Haven to see her latest boy-friend. Really, St. John! I can't tell you what it does to me - it wouldn't be polite. Has

she never found out about men - or is that she thinks you and John are in a class apart? Well, now, of course I think you are, but it would never occur to me to call you a saint. In that case, your halo would always have to be on straight and that would be a terrible bore for you, I'm sure. And what does she call the vestals who serve the saints so long and so patiently (or impatiently)? In my humble opinion they need a little heavenly relief now and again, too. I think I shall have to take the matter up with her when she comes here, though I don't know her except from one day's visit and how much humour she has I can only suspect. She has warned me of her arrival and said she hoped I'd give her a good time!

I'm heartbroken that you are not going to be in New York on the 9th - if only to see you with Rosey. I bet your cheeks would be pink more than once, and of course that's very becoming. However, with the possibility of assaults from all sides, I'd not want to be responsible for suggesting that you come. Of course dear Dr. H.M.E. will be there to absorb some of the 'exuberance', shall we say, though I bet if you hove in sight Dr. E. would be dropped like a cold potato. After all, he's only one of the local boys and this is the East.

John is working on his various introductory remarks for the dinner and for a while it was rather hard sledding, but he is getting up speed and now it looks as though we might have to put on the breaks a bit here and there lest the sense of humor run too far afield. One of the skits is at present a 'lulu' if you know what I mean, and I hope will relieve somewhat the rather awkward Soviet tangle that seems to cause so much conversation in certain circles. If you know any bright stories about Dr. Sigerist, or anything that would brighten the occasion, do send them along to John for he doesn't want to have the occasion too dull; it's bound to be long, as you can see by the list of speeches that I enclose. I also send a copy of the proposed seating for the head table. Dear me, I do wish your old pump hadn't misbehaved, so that you could come down. I shall miss you, all joking aside.

Now I must get back to work, and hope that all this chatter won't have worn you out. I can still remember how H.C. used to groan at the sight of a letter like this.

Affectionately always,

Maddeline S.

Dr. Castig. is going back to Italy (sails on the 23rd, I believe)
There's a farewell luncheon for him on the 15th at the N.Y. Academy -
He's very torn between going & staying - Who wouldn't be, with Europe
in general, not to mention Italy & Venice & Genoa in particular, being what they are?

Tyler sent / May 1947.
returning her Daniels' ltr. to J.F.E. of 28 Apr.

Thanks for Mr D's letter, returned here.
with. It is a ^{same lad,} ~~man of sound judgment~~. I
hope that between the 3 of us we can persuade
milords to de-chip the high horse's
shoulder, and dispassionately de-
mand the Constitution ^{any anti-} ~~the~~ without Ballardy
ballistics.

à consommer en
toute pureté?

managed to keep the medical issue of
the Russian "Assiette au Beurre" someone
sent to W.O. about 1900. This reminds me of
a ^{young} ~~old~~ codger I showed in perpendicular
position on the hospital bed with water down
up round his waist. The surgeon, pointing to
the exposed area, says, "We have
fistula!", and the pt. replies, "That's the
first time anyone has called me
beautiful!"

(If she receives
your dinner).

A Roy is going to stay at our apartment.
None of your eternal triangular in-
nuendos, please. She is always visiting
Hilda + me to California & sending
us goodies from S.F., so H. is invited
too. We'll nail down W.O.'s library
fire-side chair, &c.

You're wrong about the relative
authorship of the reprint. I don't disclaim
ideas & suggestions here & there, but the
work was done by Reattie & MacBarnett,
then they wrote an introduction (in 1930). I object
to ~~the~~ triple authors on t.-pp. as ~~unbecom-
ing~~ ^{unbecom-}ing. The only name is in Reattie's!

side-lights on the processes of illustration,
of which I have nothing. Glad
to hear that John B. is on his way out.

I am my greetings & regards to President
and the assembled gugglers. → And to
Leona

Yours ever
W.H.

P.S. "jellerteen" - Mit coustels

P.P.S. What's the betting that S. will not be back
after a few months of his old Europe? Also
can anyone in his senses sit down at 56
to his 6, 16, or 26 votes (if seen & var) - with
the history of the world? Well, well, well, be
with him!

P.P.S. I'm with Mary that there is need to
call to celebrate your FIFTIETH birth-
day THIS year on your 2nd Anniversary Day,
but that she can continue you & W.O. in 1949 -
Elijah & Uisha!

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22 April 1947.

My dear Bill:

Thank you warmly for your generous cheque for the Sigerist gift and dinner funds. It is much appreciated, and I know that Henry will be pleased.

Yes, Rosey is scampering all the way from California to attend the dinner with Herby Evans in tow and their mutual friend, Jessie (Marmorston). It sounds to me like an eternal triangle, with Dorothy left out and Jessie paying all the bills. It is all very complicated.

McDaniel is having his trials and tribulations with the M.L.A. Our good friend, Mildred, has worked herself into a fine old anxiety state and I am really worried about her because she is writing petulant and most unreasonable letters about the Exchange to a good many members of the Association. I wish you could use your soothing influence to calm her down. She has had some awfully bad luck, and I don't know anyone who has more influence on her than you do; so I appoint you psychiatrist-in-chief.

Yours ever,

John

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

"Who is Dennis" "X"!!

typed over 23rd
5447

Now then, I had hoped that you would prefer her.
But permit me something of a previous? The
EXCH is the M.A. If - the link, it's big
funny B.M.L., N.Y.A.C., and, here it consists of
right to H.O.A. it & me to do so, it is true
we backed her up in her fight to the ^{truth} alluded
to, where all her predecessors have ^{truth} done,
if it little fellows have a chance here &
there. The Com. (a snooper) that
atally Ballard proposed to amend
into the Constitution would have work. The
question as I see it is:

Do they want an Ex-Chandery

Or a dog-in-the-manger?

If I'm wrong, let me know. You may
well have less biased information.
Incidentally, my last advice to him was
not to throw up the sponge (& apparently
his livelihood) but to go to Charles
& fight for the old, uncommitted &
to the same Exchange on which
the M.A. has thrived, & I hope you
will back her up, unless you're
convinced (I'm not) that Stephen,
Newark, Ballard, Arline, & last week's
med. doves have given her
delusions of her own!.

The M.A. seems to be crising!
Our short anchor here, it's not too

Robert Edw. Sadon, has been working
very hard for a new Sec. for it is
harder to find a new Treasurer.
He's the nominating Comm^{ee}. Luckily
he D. is an admirably Equanim-
itytical cuss. If you think it
wise, you may pass this (except
perhaps Series) on to him. It's
a long time since I called him
names. He can always do
you no better, which makes it
good fun.

N.Y. & Cleveland, also!
I enclose a brief ref. (M., L.T.)
Yours ever.

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29 April 1947.

My dear Bill:

I am in your debt for a number of things. Your amusing letter about Mildred went off to McDaniel, and yesterday I sent you his reply. We are also grateful for the Vesalius addendum which is being duly salted away against the time when we bring out a supplement. Have you seen the Sarton birthday volume? There is a fine piece in it by Saunders and O'Malley (translation of the Venesection Epistle). Henry Schuman plans, I believe, to issue this separately.

Finally, many thanks for that admirable catalogue of the exhibition of the history of anatomical illustration which you reprinted for the meeting of the American Association of Anatomists. In spite of the fact that your name is not on the title, I take it that you were solely responsible for the annotations and probably also for most of the text, and I am sure for all the corrections between the two printings. I am therefore having it catalogued under your name.

Did you know that John Beattie is on his way over? He will no doubt be paying you a visit shortly.

With best wishes,

Yours ever,



John F. Fulton

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

COPY for Dr. W. W. Francis

W.

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NEW HAVEN II, CONNECTICUT

28 April 1947.

Mr. W. B. McDaniel, II,
Library of the College of Physicians,
Philadelphia 3, Pennsylvania.

My dear McDaniel:

Many thanks for your letter of the 26th and for returning Bill Francis's letter. I think you take a very objective view of the whole situation, and I shall stand behind you when the matter is up for discussion although I am opposed to the snoopery committee - not because it may not in the long run be sound to have an advisory group to which the director of the Exchange can refer problems, but because of the spirit which prompted its formation. No one in their right mind would take on the Exchange if he or she were responsible to a committee formed under this kind of pressure.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

JF

John F. Fulton, M.D.

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29 March 1947.

Dear Bill:

I am sorry to have badgered you on the eve of the Osler dinner and the meeting of the American Anatomists. We would have made you a sponsor whether you answered our letter or not, but with certain others who had not answered we thought it desirable to have it all legal since Henry with all his virtues is a stormy petrel in the minds of some.

You will be surprised to learn that we are working up to another deadline. Mr. Silliman goes to press on Tuesday morning, and your good friend Elizabeth is just a little frantic. Madeline has lived through a sufficient number of these crises to have acquired a certain philosophical calm, except when it comes to final arrangements for the Sigerist dinner. She doesn't like some of Henry's friends on the leftist fringe; but I'll leave the rest of this letter for her to annotate.

I don't like to make you jealous, but I was consulted over the nipple story to know whether it would shock your Victorian sensibilities. I felt somehow that it wouldn't!

Yours ever,

John

Dr. W. W. Francis,
The Osler Library,
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26 March 1947.

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

Dear Bill:

The general invitations to the Sigerist dinner, which will contain a list of the sponsors, will go to press on April 1st, and since I have not heard from my letter to you of March 12th enquiring whether you would be willing to serve as a sponsor, I am sending this brief reminder.

The Committee on Arrangements hopes that it may be able to include your name.

Very sincerely yours,

John

Chairman, Committee on Arrangements

P.S. If we do not hear prior to April 1st, we shall assume that you do not feel able to act as a sponsor. If our letters have crossed in the mail, please ignore this note.

Am 27th

5:00 hours

dinner

10:00 to 11:00

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to Sigerist

dinner

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19 March 1947

Dear Bill:

I have just been off on a week-end with Rosie in California. We went to the Cliff House beside the Golden Gate the first day for luncheon and watched the seals in their amorous antics. Rosie was meanwhile telling me of Sahli, the love of her life. She gave me some excellent ideas for the Sigerist dinner.

I gave the George Dock Lecture on "Harvey Cushing and His Library" in Los Angeles on Monday night before the Barlow Medical Society meeting jointly with the Los Angeles Medical Society. Old Dr. Dock was there and looking very hale with his eighty-seven years. Many people asked about you and Rosie in particular, to whom you will ever be St. Francis--you simply can do nothing wrong as far as she is concerned.

I fear that I shall have to forego the 75th anniversary celebrations of W.O.'s graduation, much as I should like to attend. I should especially like to hear Davey but alas, I have been running around too much lately and we shall never polish off Ben Silliman unless I stay home.

The gals all reciprocate your greetings but I shall leave it to them to formulate their own precise messages.

Yours ever,



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

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for Dr. Francis

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18 March 1947.

Miss Mildred Jordan, Librarian,
A. W. Calhoun Medical Library,
Emory University, Georgia.

Dear Mildred Jordan:

Dr. Francis has sent on to Dr. Fulton your letter of 11 March asking whether you might borrow five anaesthesia items (V. 7, 8, 10, 11, and 14 of the Historical Library's Annotated Catalogue issued last October). These are going forward to you by book post to-day and I trust will reach you safely and promptly. Dr. Fulton has not yet returned from a whirlwind trip to California, but I feel sure that he will not disapprove of my action, particularly as the items go to you and Dr. Boland.

With kind remembrances,

Yours sincerely,

Secretary to Historical Library

Dear Dr. Bill:

How can you refuse a request from Dear Mildred J., especially when couched in such proper language. Or is that what made you remember the 'rules of the Osler Library'? What an uncomfortable thing memory can be, especially when combined with a conscience (there speaks a good New Englander!).

I hope you get to Cleveland in May - also that I do. I wrote Mildred N. about the difficulty of finding single rooms and she sent back one of her better stories. I don't quite remember how far I ever progressed in the matter of exchanging stories with you, but perhaps John will pass it on to you sometime - it's rather good. I expect he will come leaping in any moment; at least I hope he will. He gave a George Dock Lecture in Los Angeles last night but he assured us he'd be back in time for supper tonight. What a dynamo!

Love to you [not wholly of the
N.E.O.M. variety either],

Madshus

OSLER LIBRARY,
15 March, 1947.

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

Dear John,

The Osler Society dinner this year comes on Friday, the 28th of this month, exactly the 75th anniversary of W. O.'s graduation. Dave of Durham is coming up to do the speechifying, "Reminiscences of Osler". If you're flying this way about then, you would be more than welcome, both to the dinner and to Marian's ex-bedroom.

H. Hutchinson has sent me, in answer to my how-the-deuce, a copy of a genealogy sheet sent to Sir Jonathan from Oxford in 1913. It shows (I had a suspicion) Lady O.'s descent from Edward Hutchinson, sole survivor of the massacre of Anne H. and her family at Hell Gate in 1645 (see D. N. B.). The last crowded lines are faulty and seem to show Sir W. O. to be the son of "Grace Revere" and "... - - Osler"!!

I've just been cataloguing an utterly unexpected "Continuation ... The I. part." 1669, which I found between the Defence and Examen in a ragged, defective, back-and-coverless duplicate old "New Experiments," 1682, which had been in our Medical Library for perhaps 100 years. The 1669 part lacks only the first two plates.

Marian's husband has a job in the Neurological next August for a year. She will be in the Children's Hospital, opposite our apartment house.

Greetings to the gals at 355 & 100,

Yours ever,

Bill

WWF:CD

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12 March 1947.

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

Dear Bill:

I am writing to ask you to be one of the sponsors of a dinner to be given by the friends of Dr. Henry E. Sigerist on the eve of his departure for Switzerland. As you have doubtless heard, Dr. Sigerist has recently decided to retire from his post as Director of the Institute of the History of Medicine at Johns Hopkins University on June 30th so that he may devote all his time to the preparation of his projected eight-volume History of Medicine.

In the fifteen years that Henry and Emmy Sigerist have been in this country, they have made many warm friends, and although the thought of their departure causes deep regret, it nevertheless offers an occasion to express some of the affection and gratitude that we feel so keenly. After consultation with them, Friday, May 9th, seems to be the most appropriate date for the gathering, and we have ascertained that the Plaza Hotel in New York will be able on that date to arrange a dinner in the best Swiss tradition.

We hope that you as a sponsor may feel able to contribute five dollars, or more if the spirit impels you (the amount to be kept confidential), toward the expenses of the dinner--printing of menus, seating lists, correspondence, flowers, tips, etc. We should like to keep all expenses at a minimum so that Dr. Sigerist's more junior students and associates will be able to attend (Harvey Cushing had to forego the dinner given to Osler on his departure for Oxford because it cost ten dollars). The price per plate will be adjusted in accordance with the returns from the sponsors.

Various suggestions have been made concerning a gift - a medal, books, or both. If you feel that a medal should be struck, will you sign and return the enclosed pledge?

A tentative list of those who are being asked to sponsor the dinner is also enclosed.

Very sincerely yours,

John F. Fulton

John F. Fulton, M.D.

For the Committee on Arrangements

*Ans'd 27th, \$5.00 towards dinner
10.00 gift.
will send \$6.50 cheque later.*

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IN HONOUR OF DR. HENRY E. SIGERIST

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OSLER LIBRARY,
19 Feb., 1947.

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

Dear John,

Sorry to have to send on to you, at
Schuman's request, the undigested (one might say
regurgitated) hash of W. O. by William White.

S. asks my opinion whether there is any
new "slant" which would call for a new life of W. O.
I don't think so. Certainly I should hate to
try to produce one.

I enclose a more or less vera effigies
of one of your other Montreal correspondents. It
may at least recall his phiz to you.

→ (The picture of A.D. Campbell.)

Yours (& the gals') ever

Ruth

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Dr. W. W. Francis
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Montreal, Canada

My dear Bill:

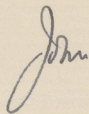
Thanks for your P.S. to the 6th, dated the 11th. I am sorry to have slipped about the "Butcher's bastard" as a Fellow of Magdalen, and I should not have forgotten anyone so important.

But I cannot really answer your letter because we do not have Herbert Hutchinson's "Jonathan H.", 1946. It is on order but for some reason it hasn't yet come. I suppose as usual the British trade is partial to Canada.

But don't accuse me of breaking all of the commandments. I should find some of them rather dull and an effort. Others I enjoy breaking very much.

With best wishes,

Yours ever,



OSLER LIBRARY,
8 Feb., 1947.

Dr. John F. Fulton,
Historical Library,
353 Cedar Street,
New Haven 11,
Conn., U. S. A.

Dear John,

Archie is a good popular soul, gynecologist at the Montreal General. He's president of all sorts of things and thinks all his addresses must be historical. He usually applies to me - but I'm not jealous. As you see, he has his own ideas of history and will use, not to say misman, them and probably present the MS. to the Osler Library. Anything you tell him will be gratefully received - he's really a dear, unhistorically - and if used will be used in a manner you won't recognize. So you needn't waste much thought on your reply.

Oh, I see you have answered him, and with your usual felicity.

Yours (& the gals!) ever

WFF: CD

P.S. *enclosures*
Compacts to him 3.11. & his & C. 5.4.
Indred's "Lump"

P.S. 11.4.

A "Mutchins bastard" - Wellsy, Ed
Chancellor, Agit. & more numerous
on medical Anne Hutchins

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LABORATORY OF PHYSIOLOGY

5 February 1947

My dear Bill:

Pray, who is Archibald Donald Campbell?

I have met several Campbells in Montreal but
I can't seem to place Archibald. Is he an
older man and what would you have responded
to the enclosed letter? He sounds a dash
discursive.

When, by the way, was the "Gold Headed
Cane" at its height?

With best wishes,

Very sincerely yours,

John

John Fulton

*P.S. The envelope will show you what the
Hist. Sci. Soc. has posted on me*

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27 January 1947.

Dear Bill:

I have just read a review of a new book on the history of science in which it is stated that the text is saved from the sin of solipsistic intellectualism. The review does not mention whether it had any major or minor paralipomenon such as you have discovered for the Vesalius. I am not very often thrown by a word, but that one completely unseated me, as did Halsted's use of the word 'phenological' on page 355 of the Biography.

And speaking of being thrown, that limerick from the pen (or was it the pen?) of Britain's highest primate completely undid me, and for the moment I have nothing to offer in retaliation.

We are having great fun with Benjamin Silliman, and if you are feeling strong I may send you the chapter on the founding of the Yale Medical School to dull your pencil on.

I have had a blast this morning from Madame Michaud who regrets a reference on page 674 to Asher's continental innuendos. Gracious, people are touchy! I much appreciated your sending Harry Friedenwald's reactions. It means a great deal coming from him.

I echo your sentiments about Gibson and Bodley most emphatically. Who, by the way, was the 'butcher's bastard' who became the Chancellor?

I am writing an account of the Klebs library for the University Library Gazette, and I should very much like to have you look it over before it goes to press. Have you any suggestions, corrections, or emendations?

*I find the MS
his death sent
it to you*

Devotedly always,

John

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

OSLER LIBRARY,
24 January, 1947.

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

Dear John,

Good old Dr. Harry Friedenwald of Baltimore (and of medico-historical Jewry) writes me, "I have just finished reading Fulton's Cushing. I was fascinated! It is a log-book of a brilliant period. And a joy to meet old friends! I enjoyed your talk at the last birthday dinner."

Many thanks for the copy of the Grand Old Man Sir Charles's letter. Such a tribute would suffice of itself to float you through posterity, if you hadn't provided several stout rafts of your own.

How I wish I could be there to help unpack those 165 boxes - not much help, though! I managed my 88 all right in 1929, but I knew their contents. I would want to look into every Klebs item as it emerged.

Has any one inherited Charlotte's Vesaliana job? Here's a minor paralipomenon I stumbled on for p. 212, before 355a:

SCHMUTZER, *Richard* Vesals Darstellung des Baues
der Niere, eine Nachtrag zur gleichnamigen Arbeit Holls
[i.e. 194], Arch. Gesch. Med., 1934, 27: 187-188.

I wonder if she ever tried to fathom why that American organist called his hymn tune "Vesalius"!

Interesting about Arnold. I haven't seen his catalogues yet. The astonishing thing about Geoffrey is not his tradesmen complex and annodominity, but his expert jugglery with bibliogger, surgery, and general drudgery! I think I told you of his embarrassment, the evening I dined with him, when after claiming to have proofs of twelve separate books in his study, he could produce only eleven and couldn't even remember what the twelfth was about!

S. Gibson has sent me what he calls his autobiography, such a human document, a printed leaflet, his plea (fortunately successful) for an increase of pension. "Patent merit" in excelsis! In the Middle Ages a butcher's bastard could become Chancellor, but in 18th and 20th century Bodley the son of a respectable college servant could be the acknowledged acting Librarian from

from 1911 to 1940 without a chance of the title or pay of a Sub-Librarian! A foot-note records that W. O. "spoke out" at a 1911 meeting. I wonder if his remarks are on record. I hope the new Bodleian has adopted a decent system of promotion!

I admired the Librarian of Congress's definition and your unwonted discretion in not letting Elizabeth see it. Under the same utterly unElizabethan restrictions I apologize for enclosing a lewd limerick of the baser sort.

Yours ever,

W. O.

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23 January 1947.

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5 Vail in Am. J. Ophthal. 30:83-5;
Jan '47.
 Dear Dr. Bill:

hmn
 Your letter of the 13th arrived just a week ago, as I was taking off to New York for dinner. Then I somehow forgot to come back till Sunday, and ever since then I've been catching up. The Dynamo and the Lady Lucia went to Williamsburg for the same period and seem to have had a wonderful time, John seeing Williamsburg for the first time and Lucia renewing old acquaintanceship.

I've been Salmon-izing this morning during my period at the desk and having great fun. Here's the result of my researches:

<u>1678</u>	<u>Salmon's Pharmacopoeia</u>	<u>1691</u>
A6b (end of Preface)	A7a	
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Looking through the other volumes that we have, I gather that William was at the Blew Ball, the blew Balcony, or the Blew-Bell between 1682 and 1694. However, in The Country Physician, he dates his preface from "Black Friars Stairs, London, 20. Sept. 1702." The only other reference to this place I found in the Praxis medica (1716) in which the preface reads: "Black-Friers, 30 Aug. 1706."

From all this scholarly research, I gather that your edition of the Pharmacopoeia must be after 1694. Oh, goodness, here's a note I missed. The Ars chirurgica (1698) has a leaf following the Preface on "The vertues and uses of the balsam de Chili" which ends as follows: "This Balsam de Chili is Sold only by Dr. Salmon at the Great House by Black-Friars-Stairs. London." And on page 1352 he ends the book (and about time, too) "From my House by Black-Friers-stairs, London, Octob. 30. 1697." So at least now there are only three years of uncertainty as to where the pretty gentleman laid his head - at least officially. If all this helps in your sleuthing, I shall be happy.

The Reverend and Dear George paid us a surprise visit yesterday, but I saw him only briefly. He was attired in a very bright woolen shirt that filled out his suit quite obviously. He had been down in Texas burying his poor old mother and I suppose that was the Texas influence. He arrived with a bum elbow that he said he'd acquired wielding a crowbar (more Texas?) but I didn't dare to ask

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any questions. His young daughter, Jane, who seems to be having a six-weeks period off from Bennington (one of those modern colleges), is coming down soon to work with Grandpa's books and get indoctrinated - I trust in the proper fashion. I've not had a chance to talk to John yet as to what he may have gleaned last evening, but I'm all ears.

Mildred propositioned me a few days ago - unfortunately just after my super-British week-end in New York! - to motor to Florida with her for a fortnight; and perhaps Helen Bayne would go along also. Well, at least I could listen. But I fear that I shall have to keep at my knitting [even the expendables seem to have to do that].

To go back to "Uncle Klebsy", as you called him, did John tell you that we'd put up an exhibition, and rather a good one at that? Also there have been about four notices of varying lengths written. If I have an extra copy, I'll enclose the one under way for the Library Gazette. It still has to have one or two additions and a spot of polishing. Do you think it will do?

Happy New Year to you, also my love.

Wladimir

P.S. Didn't you know you were VERY Special?

And didn't you know I rather like Black Sheep--

in spite of the old N.E. conscience?

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My dear Bill:

How very nice of you to write me so very cordially on New Year's Eve. Unfortunately Lucia is not coming as she deplotes my one-day trips to places. I still haven't caught up from my last trip to England and I shall have to return the day after the lecture. But I am keenly looking forward to meeting you at luncheon and I hope I can have some time during the day at the library.

You are very hospitable to offer me a bed. The A.O.A. is putting me up at the Ritz, and from what I know of McGill student parties, I think it perhaps best that I stay at the hotel lest I keep you up to all hours awaiting my return from the dinner. I am sure you will understand.

I am troubled to learn that you have been laid low by a virus, but I much prefer that you had something of that sort to anything that would affect your old pump. The virus will probably dilate your vessels and, in the long run, be a good thing.

With all good wishes for the New Year,

Yours ever devotedly,

John

Dear W.F.

2 return acc sent the P.S.
which I take, I hope correctly, to be
a copy for me to keep.

Thanks for letting me see
Sherrington's letter: It alone would
repay acc Gabe's pains with Cushing
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