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Dr. T. W. M. Cameron,
Director,
Institute of Parasitology,
Macdonald College,
Ste. Anne de Bellevue, Que.

Dear Dr. Cameron,

John Todd's death will be a blow to you particularly. I hope you had got what you could out of him about the history of parasitology in Canada, forgotten at home.

I was looking into the MS. material which Cushing prepared for the biography and which he sent to this Library, my object being to find the date Osler arrived in Montreal in 1870. In the "1870" folder are transcribed in type W. O.'s notes on entozoa 1869-71; among them "22/10/70. Examined a dorey in Montreal fish market. One small tape-worm ...". I can send you these notes, if they would be useful.

So do not let me, or *transcript* of any searching you may wish me to do.

Yours sincerely,

Yours sincerely,

L. W. F.

Director,
Institute of Parasitology.

W.F:cd

OSLER LIBRARY,
22 August, 1949.

Dr. T. W. M. Cameron,
Director,
Institute of Parasitology,
Macdonald College,
Ste. Anne de Bellevue, Que.

As this is the Centenary of Osler and as I am president this year of Section V. of the Royal Society of Canada, it has occurred to me that a fitting subject for my presidential address might be the history of parasitology in Canada. This I must apologize for neglecting your letter. It came while I was away and got mislaid and forgotten at home. If you think well of the suggestion, I wonder if I might call on you for some help in getting the necessary literature together? I am also glad to be able to help you. The preparation of a lot of material will take a long time, but I shall be glad to do it. So do come in, or let me know of any searching you may wish me to do. I shall much appreciate having your comments in due course on this suggestion.

Yours sincerely,

Thomas W. L. F. C. 7.

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Twenty-second
July 1949

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

Dear Dr. Francis,

As this is the Centenary of Osler and as I am president this year of Section V. of the Royal Society of Canada, it has occurred to me that a fitting subject for my presidential address might be the history of parasitology in Canada. This would, of course, be based very considerably on Osler's work. If you think well of the suggestion, I wonder if I might call on you for some help in getting the necessary literature together? I am also asking Dr. John Todd if he would be able to give me some help of a similar nature. The preparation of such a paper would require quite a lot of delving into old records and I might also be able to make good use of the Index Catalogue at Washington.

I shall much appreciate having your comments in due course on this suggestion.

Yours very sincerely,

Thomas W. M. Cameron

Director,
Institute of Parasitology.

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Tenth
December
1942

The Librarian,
The Osler Library,
McGill University,
Montreal.

Dear Doctor Francis,

I am enclosing herewith some correspondence
which I received from Dr. J. L. Todd and which I feel
would be more appropriately placed in your library files
than kept here at the Institute.

Yours sincerely,

Thomas W. M. Cameron

Director,
Institute of Parasitology.

JOSEPH B. HOWLAND, M. D.

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PHYSICIAN-IN-CHIEF

PETER BENT BRIGHAM HOSPITAL

HUNTINGTON AVENUE AND FRANCIS STREET

MAIL ADDRESS, FENWAY STATION

HARVEY CUSHING, M. D.

SURGEON-IN-CHIEF

S. BURT WOLBACH, M. D.

PATHOLOGIST

BOSTON Sept. 13, 1920.

Dr. J. L. Todd,
New Medical Building,
McGill University,
Montreal, Canada.

My dear Todd:

I am so glad to have heard from you for many reasons. I was tremendously disappointed not to have seen you in London and tried very hard to get you on the telephone the day you and Wolbach made your demonstration. I had hoped too that you might find your way down to Oxford and was disappointed that you did not manage to do so. I think the last time we met was on a cold day on a British packet going from Folkestone to Boulogne and much has happened since then. We of course are all delighted that your typhus expedition was such a success and I judge from all that Wolbach says that you are both highly satisfied with what you accomplished.

Now for this letter, which I am delighted to have and which I hope is but the forerunner of others that may turn up. Did this really lead to your appointment? I hope you will send me some fuller details about it. W.O. was of course always greatly interested in parasitology, and some day when I see you I shall want to tell you about his early note-books and his early studies of parasites with the Reverend W. A. Johnson. It is a remarkable story, much the best that I have concerning him. If such a position could have been made for him when he was a young man on his return from abroad he would have jumped at it, and it probably would have quite changed the course of his medical life.

I am most grateful to you for sending this note, which I have copied and am returning. I had intended to write you to ask if you had any, long ere this. Perhaps you can add some anecdotes or reminiscences about him, but in any event I hope you will answer these questions.

Always sincerely yours,

Harvey Cushing

13, Norham Gardens,
Oxford,
Feb. 8th, 1907.

Macdonald

Dear Professor Robertson:-

When in Montreal a few weeks ago, I had a chat with Sir William and Mr. Peterson on the possibility of organizing, in connection with the Agricultural College, an extensive department of medical zoology in which the whole subject of Parasitism should be considered. Sir William was anxious that I should see you, but I had only part of two days in Montreal. I promised him to get a schema from Stiles of Washington, who is certainly the leading expert on parasites in the English speaking world. The department could be made a most important one and it has such close affiliations with disease that the same man could very well lecture on parasites in the medical school. There would be no lack of candidates for such a place, and there are one or two very good men available, particularly Todd who has done so much good work on the Tics. I should not be surprised, however, if such a position were thrown open, that Stiles himself might be a candidate. I have asked Stiles to prepare a memorandum which I will forward to you

(Manuscript) Sincerely yours,

(Sgd.) Wm. Osler.

Copied MRI.
September 13, 1920.
Original forwarded to
Dr. Cushing with a note
dated Sept. 13, 1920.

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Third
May
1943

Dr. W. W. Francis,
Osler Library,
Medical Building,
McGill University,
Montreal.

Dear Francis,

Many thanks for your letter. I
am taking up both your points with the publishers
and with Simpson.

The V.C. business is a most embarrassing
mistake which one of the "Who's Who" have made.
Another one put me down as Major, R.A.V.C. but put R.A.
in one line and V.C. in the next. They had copied it
from Black's who have it correct. The third publisher
put me in the Royal Artillery and gave me the V.C. I am
taking the matter up with them, however.

Yours sincerely,

Thomas A.M. Cameron.

CONCLUSIONS.

OSLER LIBRARY,
1 April, 1948.

Dr. T. W. M. Cameron,
Macdonald College,
Ste. Anne de Bellevue,
P. Q.

Dear Cameron,

(of similar)
In Osler's "The old humanities and the new science", Oxford, 1919, p. 26, where he's rather poking fun at the language, he uses the word "parasitiased". He let it go through two corrected typed and one printed copy. I find no such word in the dictionaries and I wonder if I shouldn't change it (in a new printing) to "parasitized"?

The passage reads, "for the larvae of Pieris brassicae, vulgarly cabbage moth, are parasitiased by the Apanteles glomeratus, which in turn has a hyperparasite, the Mesochorus pallidus."

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

W. W. F.

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McGILL UNIVERSITY

2nd April, 1948.

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

Dear Francis,

In reply to your query regarding the spelling of "parasitiased" in Osler's "The old humanities and the new science" I feel sure that this is an error which has been overlooked. As you say, there is no such word and "parasitized" is the word that must have been intended.

With kindest regards,

Yours sincerely,

Thomas W. M. Cameron

Director,
Institute of Parasitology.

The Osler Library
McGill University
Montreal, Canada
13 March 1933

Prof. T. W. Cameron,
Macdonald College, P.Q.

Dear Prof. Cameron:

I must apologize for having neglected your paper "Sir William Osler, Parasitologist". Dr. Martin handed it to me some time ago with the suggestion that I pass it on to one or two others before it went in to the Journal. I did so and then forgot to follow it up.

The copy which I have had apparently not been corrected by you except in two places. There are some simple typographical errors, such as Cysticercus cellusae, p. 4, "effect" apparently for "artefact" on p. 10, "Lavern", and "the work of MacCallum's studies", on p. 11, and P. W. for J. W. Robertson, on p. 12; but there are a good many errors of copying in the quotations. I have compared these with Cushing's Life of Osler, from which they are apparently taken, though there is no mention of their source, and some of these are misleading. For instance, at the beginning of your second quotation on p. 9, "on March 22 of 1886, he discovered amoeba". This should read "March 22, 1890," which was the year at the head of p. 326 of Cushing, from which the passage is taken, the date 1886 being referred to retrospectively two sentences back, which of course made Cushing's "March 22 of this year" ambiguous. On the same page, 9, of your manuscript, in the fifth line, fourth quotation, the words, "who had been stimulated to make studies of dysentery" are omitted before "in Greece". Further down, in the fifth line of the quotation, "Futher" should be Futcher; on p. 7, first line, "later" should be lately.

We are all rather embarrassed by the omission on any reference to Todd's services, in your last paragraph. If this were published as it stands it would give offence to Todd's many friends. While it is true, of course, that there has been nothing like an Institute of Parasitology until the present, it seems hardly just to leave out his name, particularly as he is recommended for the job in Osler's letter of February 3rd, 1907, which you quote on p. 12. J. L. Todd was appointed Associate Professor of Parasitology in 1907 and resigned in 1925. It is believed that he also held some appointment at Macdonald College, and I am told that he certainly had a laboratory there.

Before sending the paper in to the Journal, could I have your permission to correct the above and other minor errors and make the quotations conform to the original? And would you please let me know whether you wish to add anything about Todd in the last paragraph, or should I send back to you for correction the copy which I have here?

I have been very interested in your comments on Osler as a Parasitologist, and I hope some day you may have time to go through his notebooks and early papers which are here. Cushing is not a biologist and, though he managed wonderfully to reveal this side of Osler to the astonished friends of his later life, I imagine that an expert might get a good deal out of the material which Cushing may have missed.

Yours sincerely,

T.W.
Dear Cameron,

We don't seem to have any records of the Mtl. Vet. Coll. & on its diploma ("in connection with" McG., to Baker, 1879) Osler simply signs M.D. with other members of the McG. med. fac. I think he took whatever title best suited the occasion, e.g., for his "Verminous bronchitis" in the "Veterinarian," Lond., 1877, he is "Vice-pres. of the Vet. Med. Assoc.; prof. of physiology in McG. Univ., and in the Vet. Coll., Mtl." For his "Pig-typhoid" in the "Veterinary Journal", Lond., 1878, he is "Prof. of Physiol. & Path. in McG. Univ., & in the Vet. Coll., Mtl." In 1885 on the t.-p. of "Parasites of the pork supply," (printed locally) he is "Prof. of the Institutes of Med., McG. Univ.; Lecturer on Helminthology, Mtl. Vet. Coll." Evidently he took his choice. Abbrevs. mine.

"COMPARATIVE MEDICINE"

As Mitchell says in his "Sketch", W. O. no doubt suggested that name for the Faculty when it joined McG., officially in 1889 (5 years after he had left), but who introduced the term is another matter. I suspect he got the idea from his Philadelphia associates. They started the quarterly "Archives of Comp. Med. & Surg." in 1880, changed in 1881 to "Journal of do." On the title-page of the earliest no. I can find here (1889 — it soon after became a monthly) Osler is listed among the "Collaborators" We are supposed to have some nos. as early as ~~1881~~ 1881, but they seem to be missing.

The great Oxford Dictionary gives no clue but lumps even c. anatomy with c. mythology, &c. Litte's Dictionnaire, 1881, under "Comparé" has ~~M~~ "Médecine et pathologie comparées — V. Pathologie comparée".

Has your J. ever been accused of "snitching" the title of that old N.Y. (published) & Phila. (edited) one? I never heard of it before. It should be looked through for Osleriana.

In haste,

se/lf

W. C. F.

OSLER LIBRARY,
29 March, 1950.

Dr. T. W. M. Cameron,
Institute of Parasitology,
Macdonald College,
Ste. Anne de Bellevue,
P. Q.

Dear Cameron,

Dr. Gavin Miller gave us the U. S. Patent Office's "Specification of Letters Patent No. 11,942, dated Nov. 14, 1854," with Alpheus Myers's illustration of his "Tapeworm-Trap". Myers came from Logansport when the Indian State Insane Asylum has since been established. But had you seen our document? And were you suggesting in the Star last night that Alpheus hoaxed not himself but the Patent Office?

Have you inside information? Certainly we can't blame it on your admired Caughanawaga parasitologist, E. Y. Davis. The drawing and mechanical description are beyond his powers.

Yours sincerely,

W. W. F.

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OSLER LIBRARY,
23 May, 1950.

Dr. T. W. M. Cameron,
Institute of Parasitology,
Macdonald College,
Ste. Anne de Bellevue,
P. Q.

Dear Dr. Cameron,

(1) Any reprints yet of your Osler paper?

(2) Can you give me information about Harold Wolferstan Thomas, McGill '97, such as the year more or less of his death that might lead to an obituary? In connection with Sir Hy. Dale's lecture last night on chemotherapy, we are interested to find that T. worked on atoxyl here at McGill in 1903, some years before Ehrlich used that compound which led him to salvarsan.

(3) Another curiosity at the head of the paper "Some experiments in the treatment of trypanosomiasis", B. M. J., 27 May, 1905, p. 1140, Thomas describes himself as "J. L. Todd Memorial Fellow in Tropical Medicine, the Liverpool School ...". I think Todd was then at L'pool and was certainly very much alive. Was he endowing fellowships and in whose memory?

Some colleagues are pestering me for answers, so, after a vain search, I go to the fountain-head.

Yours sincerely,

W. L. F.

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Eighth
April
1953

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

Dear Doctor Francis,

When I was in Guelph last week I had the opportunity of meeting Mr. F. Eugene Gattinger, the new librarian at the Ontario Veterinary College. Their library has been a rather neglected orphan in the past but they are now making a real effort to build it up into a first-class collection of publications on veterinary medicine and science. They have an infant "Osleriana" which they would like to make into as complete a collection as possible of Osler's contributions to veterinary medicine and science. Would you have any material available on Osler from this point of view which you could contribute to the O.V.C. Library? If so, could you please send it direct to Mr. Gattinger in Guelph?

Thanking you for your consideration of this request and with kindest regards,

Yours sincerely,

Thomas W. M. Cameron

Thomas W. M. Cameron,
Professor of Parasitology.

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Send him the enclosure of my letter to you.

W. W. F.