

THE PRESBYTERIAN HOSPITAL

in the City of New York

at

COLUMBIA-PRESBYTERIAN MEDICAL CENTER

622 WEST 168TH STREET

NEW YORK 32, N. Y.

27 January 1952.

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

OSLER LIBRARY,
22 April, 1952.

Dear Dr. Dr. Charles A. Carton,
The Neurological Institute,

A belated, note to thank you for your kind
attention New York 32, Montreal visit. The Albertus Magnus photograph
has been N. Y., U. S. A. enclosed is the dollar bill for the photographer.

Am still a bit confused by the inscription along the nuchal
ligament Dear Dr. Carton, possibly elucidate?

Again, many My secretary and her files both say that I didn't
acknowledge your dollar (and I'm sure the photographer didn't
to whom I handed it) and that I never sent you the interpretation
of the nuchal ligamentary legend "From here ramify the nerves
through the nape of the neck and vertebrae of the back to the
whole body - Ab hinc ramificant nervi per nucam & spondilia
dorsi ad totum corpus - my underlinings "expand" the medieval
contractions. Note that in the Middle Ages Estimative was
usually spelled with an x, as here in the 2nd ventricle.

Neurological Institute,

710 West 168th St., I must apologize for the delay.

New York 32, N.Y.

W.W.F.

W.W.F.

Yours sincerely,

W.W.F.

W. W. Francis, M.D.,
Librarian.

W.W.F:cd

A. G. ra nucam spon
dorsi Totum corp

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Dear Dr. Francis,

A brief, and somewhat belated, note to thank you for your kind attention during my Montreal visit. The Albertus Magnus photograph has been received and enclosed is the dollar bill for the photographer.

Am still a bit confused by the inscription along the nuchal ligament . . . could you possibly elucidate?

Again, many thanks.

Sincerely yours,

Charles A. Carton

Charles A. Carton, M.D.

Neurological Institute,
710 West 168th St.,
New York 32, N.Y.
U.S.A.

CAC/vmw

Ab hinc

*Ab hinc ramificans nervi per nucham &
Spondilia dorsi ad totum corpus*

*Note that in the preceding Abs Estimative was usually
spelled with an x (~~transverse~~), as here in
the 2nd ventricle.*

OSLER LIBRARY,
5 Dec., 1951.

Dr. Charles A. Carton,
Neurological Institute,
710 West 168th Street,
New York 32,
N. Y., U. S. A.

Dear Dr. Carton,

Enclosed is the photo you requested of
the earliest printed picture of cerebral localisation,
from the Brescia, 1490, edition of Albertus Magnus,
"Summa naturalium", or "Philosophia naturalis" (it goes
by both titles), where this diagram occupies leaf 40.
I hope it proves satisfactory.

You owe the photographer one dollar,
so please send me a dollar bill.

I must apologize for the long delay,
for which I must take some of the blame.

The photographer has kept the negative.
Do you want any more prints?

Yours sincerely,

W. W. F.

W. W. Francis, M.D.,
Librarian.

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Encl:-

NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY
COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS
EVANSTON, ILLINOIS

DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH

September 19, 1935.

My dear Mr. Francis:

issues/ I wish that your letter of September 3, which I found awaiting me on my return home yesterday, had been forwarded to me at Greensboro, Vermont. It would have been the deciding factor in determining whether I should or should not drive up to have a look at Montreal. I am very much obliged indeed for the information about the third volume of Dryden's miscellany. I had not seen your note in 'Bibliotheca Osleriana', nor had I detected the source of the variant leaves. I should like to read your note and the discussion in Baumgarten and Fulton, and I shall do so at the earliest possible opportunity. I have taken a hasty look at my manuscript notes, but I find nothing very illuminating there. Offhand it looks to me as if Tonson, left with remainders of Tate's poem on his hands, had decided to work them off by appending them to the miscellany, and had printed additional copies, from a new setting of type, to fill out the requisite number of copies of the miscellany. In such a case I suppose it would be somewhat more logical to regard the issue with the remainder sheets as the prior one, although the ~~X~~ might have been placed on sale simultaneously. As soon as the bustle that is always incident to the beginning of the college year dies down a little I shall write you again. In the mean time please let me express again my thanks for your letter, and especially for your very kind remarks about the bibliography. I am afraid that you put too favorable an interpretation on the six years' delay between the acceptance of the book for publication and its final appearance. Much of this has been due to the mechanical delay which is apparently inevitable when the author is on one side of the Atlantic and the press on the other. I have been able to make few changes in the last year: once a book gets as far as the page-proof it has hardened pretty thoroughly. You may have noticed that my preface is dated more than a year ago. It gave me something of a shock to notice the fact when my copy arrived.

Sincerely yours,

Arthur E. Case

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

3 September, 1935

Arthur E. Case, Esq.,
Northwestern University,
Evanston, Ill.

Dear Sir:

I have just received, as a member of the Bibliographical Society, your "Poetical Miscellanies", and beg to congratulate you on a huge job well accomplished.

Some years ago, having to catalogue the "Examen poeticum", 1693 (your no. 172(3)), I noticed that the variant last quires, B-G, of issue (a) were a re-issue of those sheets, printed 7 years earlier, from Tonson's "Syphilis: or a poetical history of the French disease. Written in Latin by Fracastorius. And now attempted in English by N. ahum, Tate", Lond., 1686. Perhaps you knew this and the bulk of your work prevented such annotations. If not, I thought you might be interested.

I printed a note on it in "Bibliotheca Osleriana", Oxford, 1929, p. 634, # 7693, and it is discussed in Baumgarten and Fulton's "Bibliography of the poem Syphilis ... by G. Fracastoro", New Haven, Yale Press, 1935, p. 93. I thought the catchword "SYPHI-" on Aaa 8 verso, which is wrong in issue (a) and right in (b), made it probable that the latter preceded the former. They quote me for a "probable" explanation; "very tentative" would be better.

Yours truly,

W.W.F.

P.S. That "1935 (for 1929)" on your title-page is an excellent commendation; the wider the interval, the better the bibliography!

Dr. DeWitt Bellinger Casler
13 Chase Street, West
Baltimore

January 22, 1938.

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

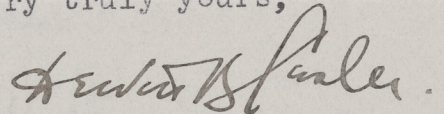
My dear Doctor Francis:

Thank you so much for your note of January 19th in
reference to the Osler-Holmes letter.

It is exactly what I wanted to know, and I will
appreciate fully your kindness in sending me this.

With best wishes to you, I am

Very truly yours,



DeWitt B. Casler, M.D.

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Dr. DeWitt Bellinger Casler
13 Chase Street, West
Baltimore

19 January, 1938

January 17, 1938.

Dr. DeWitt B. Casler,
13 Chase St. W.,
Baltimore, Md.

My dear Dr. Casler:

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

My dear Doctor

In 1904

Doctor Osler

received from

poem "The Chamberlain's

Fever.

The Holmes letter is inserted not in a book of his poems, but in the cheap (though favorite) Tauchnitz, 1883 ed. of the "Autocrat" which W. O. bought in Berlin in 1884 (# 4942 in the "Bibliotheca Osleriana"). It was too bad that I was away when you and Bill Fisher came. Whoever showed you the library ought to have obeyed the first rule - to look in the index of Osler's catalogue, for the reference to the letter is given there under "Holmes, autograph".

Several which it was the answer, are printed by Cushing on 29, 301-2 of vol. 1 of the "Life". The letter alone was first printed in W. O.'s "O. W. Holmes" in the J. H. H. Bull., 1894, 5, p. 88; reprinted in his "Alabama Student" volume, 1908, &c., p. 65. From one of these sources you can readily get it, so I shall not offer to have it copied for you here. but have no knowledge as to what happened to this book of poems.

With kind regards,

I was wondering if you knew what became of this book, and if there is any possible Yours sincerely, I'd get a copy of this letter written by Doctor Holmes to Doctor Osler. I have always remembered with the greatest interest the evening at Doctor Osler's house in 1904 when he discussed Oliver Wendell Holmes and read this letter to us.

I would greatly appreciate any information you can give me in regard to it. With best wishes to you, and trusting to see you in Baltimore at some time, I am

Very sincerely yours,

DeWitt B. Casler

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January 17, 1938.

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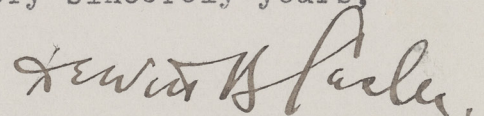
In 1904 when I was in the group in Medicine under Doctor Osler he read us one night a letter which he had received from Oliver Wendell Holmes, concerning his poem "The Chambered Nautilus" and his essay on Puerperal Fever.

Several years ago when Bill Fisher and I were in Montreal we tried to see you, but you were away on your vacation. We were admitted to the Osler Library, but I could find no trace of the book of poems by Oliver Wendell Holmes in which Doctor Osler had placed this letter. Recently I have asked Tom Boggs and Tom Fatcher about it. They both remember the letter well, but have no knowledge as to what happened to this book of poems.

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DeWitt B. Casler, M.D.

Castiglioni

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

Historical Library

August 14, 1944

Dear Dr. Francis:

Thank you very much for your kind letter and the very interesting suggestions. I shall correct the mistakes which you have quoted and I am waiting for the others that you will discover later. I know very well that the special bibliographies will be more practical after the respective chapters, and that is the way in which I did it in the Italian and in all other editions. The change is due to the publisher and it seems that it is impossible to put them at the proper place in the 2nd edition, because the greatest part of the book is not to be changed in its typographical order.

I thank you very much for the news about the Kunstlers. It is strange that at the same time that I mailed the letter to you Dr. Kunstler was calling me on the telephone, after four months of silence. I was extremely happy about the news she gave me.

With many thanks and best regards from us all,

Yours very cordially, *A.C.*
A. Castiglioni, M. D.

YALE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

333 CEDAR STREET • NEW HAVEN • CONNECTICUT

Historical Library

August 7, 1944

Dear Dr. Francis:

You have always been so kind to me that I hope you will forgive me if I intrude on your time asking you for two great favors.

The first one concerns my friends Dr. and Mrs. Kunstler, whom you know very well. I am very preoccupied, having been for several months without any news from them. I wrote to Mrs. Kunstler, who as you know was a pupil of mine, three or four times, and never had an answer. Knowing that her health was not quite right and that she had many sorrows because of her parents and also because of her sister who is in China, I am afraid that something may be wrong. Please be so kind as to call her up and ask her for news.

The second favor concerns my book. Unexpectedly the book has such a large success that a second edition has to be prepared immediately. I know what an attentive reader and what a keen critic you are, and I am sure that looking through the book - I dare to hope you looked through it - you may have found some errors or something you don't believe is right. I should appreciate very much your telling me very frankly if you have any corrections or additions to suggest, and I will surely use your advice with great pleasure.

With many thanks and best regards,

Yours very cordially,

A. Castiglioni

A. Castiglioni, M. D.

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Dr. A. Castiglioni,
Historical Library,
333 Cedar St.,
New Haven,
Conn., U. S. A.

OSLER LIBRARY,
10 August, 1944.

Dear Dr. Castiglioni,

The Kunstlers and their two splendid children are flourishing, just back from a holiday. Mrs. K. tells me on the telephone that she was communicating with you and that she had just had good news of your daughter's escape from Italy. Dr. K. kindly lent me 23 recent items for my exhibit of plastic surgery. Both he and his wife are making a good reputation here as practitioners.

I'm not surprised that a new edition of your History is needed already. It is a most readable, reliable, and useful book. In looking for notes to send you I'm disappointed to find that I must have read most of it without pencil in hand. Here are the only notes I have:—The special bibliographies would be more practical if they followed their respective chapters. It is a nuisance to have to look back to learn the number of the chapter one is reading.

The general bibliography is admirable, but I should like to see Osler's, "Evolution" (Yale Press), included and (under B) his biographical essays "Alabama Student" which Sudhoff praised highly. On p. 1004, Power, The Foundations.

I would suggest only one index. I hate the annoying German habit, largely adopted in the U. S., of having two. "Cassalpinus" (the only name he is known by to British readers) should appear in the index; also "Rabanus," which seems to me preferable, in any case, to the hybrid Latin-Gothic Hrebanus! "Albucassis," too, needs a cross reference. Haly Abbas (p. 270) is not under H or Al. "Browne" of the index, turns out to be A. G. Sir Thomas Browne is mentioned on p. 498, but not in the index. Nor is that page included in the references after Fernel and Lange in the index. I think every mention should be included, even the bibliographical ones, e.g. Browne, E. G., 170, 975. Déjérine (p. 887) and Déjérine (index) should be Déjérine.

Speaking of Cassalpino, the circulation is treated with remarkable impartiality for an Italian. You will have to add something about Ibn-an-Nafis and the probably insoluble question whether Serretus or Colombo owed anything to him or an unknown common source.

I suppose the "ager Romanus" on p. 565 is what is called in English the Roman Campagna?

With kind regards to you and all at the Library,

Yours sincerely,

W. W. F.

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PS. P.T.O

P.S. In your excellent account of Osler there is
only one slight inaccuracy (p. 822): he
never held the chair of "clinical studies" but,
though he taught in the wards. His official position
throughout his Montreal period was Professor
of the Institute (i.e. physiology and pathology).
I would suggest that you make it read:

"... at the University where, at the age of 25;
he was appointed professor of the institute
of medicine. In 1885 he was called as clinical
professor to the University of Pennsylvania."

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Osler's "volition" (1911), included and (under D) his diagraphical essays
"habitus student" which I should like to see.

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by to British readers) should appear in the index; also "habitus", which seems to me
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needs a cross reference. Daily habits (p. 270) is not under H or A. "habitus" of the
index, turns out to be A. C. Sir Thomas Brown is mentioned on p. 488, but not in the
index. Nor is that page included in the reference after term and name in the index.
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A. C., 170, 176, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 387, 388, 389, 390, 391, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 596, 597, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 617, 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 644, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 650, 651, 652, 653, 654, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, 672, 673, 674, 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683, 684, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689, 690, 691, 692, 693, 694, 695, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 708, 709, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 716, 717, 718, 719, 720, 721, 722, 723, 724, 725, 726, 727, 728, 729, 730, 731, 732, 733, 734, 735, 736, 737, 738, 739, 740, 741, 742, 743, 744, 745, 746, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751, 752, 753, 754, 755, 756, 757, 758, 759, 760, 761, 762, 763, 764, 765, 766, 767, 768, 769, 770, 771, 772, 773, 774, 775, 776, 777, 778, 779, 780, 781, 782, 783, 784, 785, 786, 787, 788, 789, 790, 791, 792, 793, 794, 795, 796, 797, 798, 799, 800, 801, 802, 803, 804, 805, 806, 807, 808, 809, 810, 811, 812, 813, 814, 815, 816, 817, 818, 819, 820, 821, 822, 823, 824, 825, 826, 827, 828, 829, 830, 831, 832, 833, 834, 835, 836, 837, 838, 839, 840, 841, 842, 843, 844, 845, 846, 847, 848, 849, 850, 851, 852, 853, 854, 855, 856, 857, 858, 859, 860, 861, 862, 863, 864, 865, 866, 867, 868, 869, 870, 871, 872, 873, 874, 875, 876, 877, 878, 879, 880, 881, 882, 883, 884, 885, 886, 887, 888, 889, 890, 891, 892, 893, 894, 895, 896, 897, 898, 899, 900, 901, 902, 903, 904, 905, 906, 907, 908, 909, 910, 911, 912, 913, 914, 915, 916, 917, 918, 919, 920, 921, 922, 923, 924, 925, 926, 927, 928, 929, 930, 931, 932, 933, 934, 935, 936, 937, 938, 939, 940, 941, 942, 943, 944, 945, 946, 947, 948, 949, 950, 951, 952, 953, 954, 955, 956, 957, 958, 959, 960, 961, 962, 963, 964, 965, 966, 967, 968, 969, 970, 971, 972, 973, 974, 975, 976, 977, 978, 979, 980, 981, 982, 983, 984, 985, 986, 987, 988, 989, 990, 991, 992, 993, 994, 995, 996, 997, 998, 999, 1000.

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I suppose the "great Romanus" on p. 555 is what is called in
English the Roman Campagna.

With kind regards to you and all at the library,

Yours sincerely,

W.W.F.

P.T.O. 22

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Jacksonville Road, Burlington, N. J., U. S. A. 15 March, 1936
September 12, 1932

Dr. J. McKeen Cattell,
Garrison-on-the-Hudson,
New York.

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

Dear Dr. Cattell:
A friend has sent me a newspaper clipping about the death of your brother, Dr. Osler's old friend and pupil. I am a nephew of Osler and have charge of his library here. I had a nice visit from your brother a few years ago and he told me he had earmarked his Osleriana to come to this collection. The newspaper stated that your brother was preparing a biography of Sir William Osler at the time of his death. I would be very interested to know how far he had got with this, and if it is not in a state for publication I would like to beg that the manuscript be sent here for permanent keeping.

I enclose a copy of a letter which I had from your brother in September 1932, in which he speaks of his intended gifts to our library. We should, of course, be very glad to have anything of his concerning Osler, and I sincerely hope he did not destroy the data concerning Osler's life in Philadelphia. I tried to assure him that nothing which "had better remain unpublished" would be printed by us. We have a good deal of material here which is never to be printed.

With kind regards,

Sincerely yours,
W. W. F.
my editorial management, and to assist in the publication of his Philadelphia life which had better be published, and it was especially about the latter that I wanted to consult you about and do not care to write of.

Most cordially yours,

W. W. F.

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Jacksonville Road, Burlington, N. J., U. S. A. September 12, 1932

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

Dear Doctor Francis,

I had planned to deposit, ^{with you} not to give, ^{the Osler Library} the Oslerian manuscripts and a number of other things concerning Osler while I took my trip around the World, so that in case of any thing happening to me ^{while abroad} they might ~~they might~~ ^{at once} become the property of the Library. The manuscript of the "Coming of Age of Internal Medicine" is unique in being written in its entirety by Dr. Osler himself, and not dictated as are the others in my possession. And I still hope that they may all find their final resting place at Montreal ^{naturally} where they ~~all~~ belong. If my health and time permits I hope to write up some new matter concerning Sir William in the December INTERNATIONAL CLINICS, the last volume to be gotten out under my editorial management, and to destroy certain ^{other} data concerning his Philadelphia life which had better remain unpublished, and it was especially about the latter that I wanted to consult you about and do not care to write of.

Most cordially yours,

Henry W. Battell

Cavanagh

Confidential

OSLER LIBRARY,
26 March, 1953.

Mr. R. Vosper,
Director of Libraries,
The University of Kansas,
Lawrence,
Kansas, U. S. A.

Dear Mr. Vosper,

Cavanagh worked two weeks for me and three months for the medical librarian, and neither of us can conscientiously recommend him as likely to meet your needs. He is a scholarly fellow and (with adequate experience) could doubtless learn to be a medical librarian, but we doubt whether he has the necessary zeal and executive ability for the job you have to offer.

Yours sincerely,

W. W. Francis

W. W. Francis, M.D.,
Librarian.

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