

14 February, 1936

Mrs. H. B. Chapin,
Louder's Lane,
Jamaica Plain, Mass.

Dear Sue:

Thanks for your letter and the enclosure from Franklin. What a tragedy indeed, but I was glad to know that the Osler Club things were not destroyed.

I have just had word that dear old little Aunt Janette died this morning. The funeral is on Monday. I shall go up Saturday night and stay with Norman. She was 96 last December 26th, the second oldest of that generation (eleven months younger than Uncle Fen) and is the second last to go. I think there is just Cousin Fannie (Mrs. Banks) left. I think she was certainly ready to go. I don't know how much she was able to get about since her illness in November. She has had a fine long life of service, but I have no doubt that if she had not had two generations of other people's children to look after she might have been a great writer.

The Governor-General, alias John Buchan, sent word the other day that he would like to see the Osler Library if it could be arranged for about six o'clock on Saturday afternoon (tomorrow), so I expect to have a nice time with him. It is a mercy that his visit and little Auntie's funeral will not clash.

We had our annual meeting of curators on the 3rd. It went off very well. Archie was here as usual, and Major Hume of the Surgeon-General's Library, a delightful fellow, managed to get here. Dr. Krumbhaar of Philadelphia, who ^{was} a great friend of ^{his} mother Aunt Grace's, was coming until the last minute, when he had to go south instead.

Tell Anna that I will have to follow in her footsteps. The annual meeting of the Medical Libraries Association, of which I am president, meets sometime in May in St. Paul and Rochester, Minn. I expect it will have warmed up by then, though my feet will still be cold. I hate this presiding business and I have never ventured so far west.

Best love to you and all.

Yours ever,

B. C. Y.

P.S. re Osler Club dinner.

CHAPIN

City & Hancock St. Boston.
222 West St., Chestnut Hill, 57

On the chair you left with me some time ago
"BESPOKE" - Let me know if you have 21 December, 1935

Mrs. H. R. Chapin,
Louders Lane,
Jamaica Plain, Mass.

OSLER LAMSON,
21 October, 1937.

My dear Sue,

Dear Sue:

We had a delightful evening yesterday with Ruth Draper. She came to dinner and also an old friend of mine, Judge Hall, with whose sister she has stayed in Ireland. We went on to the theatre and saw many old favorites and a very delicious new one on doctors. What an extraordinary person she is. She was asking affectionately about you and told me of her surprise at finding you in Mexico. Her devotion to the memory of Uncle Willie and Aunt Grace is really touching. Marian, who is much stagestruck, had the time of her young life last night. She came to the theatre with us and wore her first grown up evening frock. The only fly in the ointment was the unexpected presence of her headmistress in the row just behind us. copy, she would be a worthy recipient.

That nice Mrs. Stirling - ^{née} ~~May~~ Primrose, who was a cousin of Joe's wife - died here a few weeks ago. Next time you write tell me if you have heard anything recently of Lady Somerville and Monica and other old Oxford friends, like Mrs. Thomson.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

I wish I could drop in and have a yarn with you, but my travelling days are over. With best love,

Ever yours,

Will

P.S. I have just had a note from Arnold Muirhead with the enclosed extract from "The Listener" containing a radio talk on W.O. by the Regius Professor of Cambridge. My sister Beatrice sent me another copy so you need not bother to return this.

Mrs. H. B. Chapin,
7 Louders Lane,
Jamaica Plain,
Boston, Mass., U. S. A.

CHAPIN

Chapin to Harriet & Anna Revere,
288 Heath St., Chestnut Hill, 67
Mass.

The two chairs you left with me were already
"BESPOKE." Let me know if I can have any
more. I wonder if Arnold M. is any?

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OSLER LIBRARY,
21 October, 1957.

My dear Sue,

Such a nice visit from Margaret and Anna and a letter since, giving us their new address. How young and well they look! That's what people tell me, and I recently read of an old fellow who replied, "Yes, but it takes all my strength to keep up appearances!" I may seem an infant to you, but I am now the oldest of my generation of the Osler connection, Ethel McKenzie, Edward Osler's daughter, died recently at 87, and Rachel (Gwyn) Abbott, widow of the bishop of Kentucky, on the 12th of this month, aged 81.

Miss Harriet Edgeworth, 213 N. Chicago Ave., Kankakee, Ill., is an admirer of aunt Grace and came laboriously to the Library recently, having some disability. She has had booksellers hunting (vainly of course) for Arnold Muirhead's "Memoir". If you still have a spare copy, she would be a worthy recipient.

Hilda and I keep well and she still plays tennis and badminton. Marian has moved into a bigger and better house, with room for her five. Mike, the eldest, is nine and the baby 9 months. Their looks are better than their behaviour!

I wish I could drop in and have a pow-wow with you, but my travelling days are over. John Fulton seems to be making a very good recovery.

Much love,

Affectionately,

Mrs. H. B. Chapin,
7 Louder's Lane,
Jamaica Plain,
Boston, Mass., U. S. A.

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Mrs. H. B. Chapin,
7 Louder's Lane,
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Mass., U. S. A.

OSLER LIBRARY,
22 Oct., 1951.

Mrs. H. B. Chapin,
7 Louder's Lane,
Jamaica Plain,
Boston,
Mass., U. S. A.

My dear Sus,

The Ewelme nurse, Miss Ida Heaney, came to lunch with us on Sat. (20th), a very capable and interesting ex-London Hosp. sister. The place is flourishing, beautifully restored, she says, the old men even attending chapel, and the present Regius making weekly visits. She has progressive ideas and is agitating for the supply of one hot communal meal for them daily and the hiring of a cleaning woman when necessary. The inscription on the memorial tablet has been made more legible - I gathered that Nona(?) had suggested that last year. Miss Heaney says she'll send me the pageant book which you offered to lend me. She's on three months leave, has relatives out West, is just sailing for home, and regrets she can't get to Boston.

My brother Gwyn's granddaughter from Greenwich, Conn., is a "freshette" here and she brought in a Reynolds girl to see the library. I forget her first name. She knew she was a relation of Priscilla who got me into trouble about 1897 by losing a. Grace's pet 1877 umbrella which I had mercifully lent the girl in a downpour. Anna Revere always remembers my saucy message to her when crossing with Priscilla's mother "Kind regards into the acousticon".

Marian is settled in a bought house at Rochester, Minn. Mike, the eldest of her three, had his 3rd birthday last week. No word of Archie for some weeks; he was having a heart attack. Norman is up a few hours daily, but I don't know what the prospects are.

L to you all

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OSLER LIBRARY,
4 Dec., 1951.

Mrs. H. B. Chapin,
7 Louder's Lane,
Jamaica Plain,
Boston,
Mass., U. S. A.

OSLER LIBRARY,
7 Feb., 1951.

My dear Sue,

We liked your family-tree photo, but what has become of your nice cosy plumpness? Perhaps just as well not to have so much to carry round at our age.

A Mrs. Ruth Worthington, Free Library, Saranac Lake, N.Y., an elderly widow and librarian, is our latest convert to Osler-worship. She and her husband used to collect books on archery; now she has switched to Osleriana, and she motors up here from Saranac to spend holidays, like Thanksgiving, in the Library. She would dearly love to have the Memoir of aunt Grace and also our edition of the Way of Life. Have you spare copies of either or both?

Nice note from Reg. Hill. His rebuilding is almost finished. It is an important library and an important job he has.

Our printed catalogue has become scarce, fetching as much as \$60 or even \$80! An enthusiast got a new-looking one for \$40 and wondered who had owned and not used it much. The name was erased but the heavenly address was "Pearly Gates Farm, Ashby, Mass." I wonder who lived there.

Marian writes happily, even if Mike (aged 5) has developed shop-lifting proclivities. She found among her purchases a carton she had refused to buy for him. "Did you put that there?" "No, Mummy" - then a grin and a pause "And I gave another lady one, too!"

I got the prevalent cold last week, but was only laid up three days. Hilda is in good form, arm improving, and able to play badminton.

Love from us both to you and yours.

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Mrs. Henry B. Chapin
7 Lowders Lane
Jamaica Plain, Mass.

John
S.H. 51

Dear Bill

Once more I congratulate

you as a grand father!

I was here for a few days

OSLER LIBRARY,
7 Feb., 1951.

Mrs. Henry B. Chapin,
7 Lowders Lane,
Jamaica Plain,
Mass., U. S. A.

Hilda, I hope you value

place as grand parents for no-

I am enclosing a letter which

Dear Sue,

received in answer to mine

Rosie's

all that

"Collect"

John-

50 year

bits of

I am

very

grateful

Yes, Stephen William arrived gently on the 24th, 7 lbs.,
12 1/2 oz. (don't omit the half, says Hilda.) They got home on the
3rd, both flourishing. We have the "dowager" baby, Sari, a perfect
peach, but full of the restlessness of 14 months, and a handful for
Hilda. Did you ever have entire charge of such a critter since
you passed 60? Even your sturdy back might ache. The Kelen grands
have Mike, 2 1/2, a sort of destroying angel; they also have the
flu, but fortunately not all at once. Young Stephen can't hope to
profit from his "William" as I did from mine!

Better news from Archie lately, though he is unloading various
interesting things on to me.

I am very grateful for the letter from Rosie's secretary, which
I return herewith after taking copies for me and John. We have both
had difficulty finding out who was who in her entourage. John wants
me to write something about her, but I have little to go on except the
voluminous correspondence of the last ten years. I don't remember her
at all in Baltimore.

My memory is no better than yours, but I doubt if my last
letter to you (enclosing the picture of the tragic Delano girl?) needed
any answer. So don't worry.

I'd like to see Ned clearing the piazza - if he didn't ask me
to help!

Love to you all, John and grands and greats and Cantonese.

WWF:cd

Bill

Mrs. Henry B. Chapin
7 Louders Lane
Jamaica Plain, Mass.

John W. Chapin
S. H. S.

Dear Bill

Once more I Congratulate
you as a grand father! Ina & W.
were here for a few days & told me
of the new arrival - I expect you &
Hilda are filling up your valuable
place as grand parents for no. 1 & no 2!
I am enclosing a letter which I
received in answer to mine to
Rosie's Secretary - you may have heard
all that it contains of report on the
"Collection" - Other wise this may interest
you - Please return the letter - as my
85 year olds do not always retain the
bits of information which I wish to have -
I am spending a week end at Canton
& enjoying the effects of a splendid
snow storm of yesterday in bright sunshine

Red is in fine form - has just been
out "digging" in the snow & cleared
the whole place - The girls take good
care of these two "antiques" - No cook
being available Maryauck & Anna are
proving themselves experts - & feed us so
well that it is risky as to added weights.

My love to Jim & Hilda -

Affectionately

Sue -

P.S. I trust I have answered
your last letter - which I left on
my writing-table at home -

CHADIN^W July 10th 55-

7 LOUDER'S LANE
JAMAICA PLAIN 30
MASSACHUSETTS

u home
over →

Dear Bill,

I have just read your
grand - long letter & feel so nearly
caught-up with you & yours that
I am tempted to answer ^{may} imme-
diately - You remember that was the
that Aunt Grace kept going with his
vast Correspondence - I am ninety
to-morrow which is an excuse for
such peculiar writing - My eyes are a
bit queer - don't focus properly - thoughts
not clear which is my excuse - I can't
tell you how glad I am & feel in touch
with you & yours - I hang onto the
medical world quite a bit and had
the pleasure of a delightful visit from

Dr Pickering - also met Mrs P. I
heard from a friend that because of the
Older Connection he would call upon
"Lady O's old sister" As a result I
showed him John Fulton book of the photo-
graphs of ~~Norman~~ Norman Gardiner - & he told
me all about the readjustment of
the rooms - dining room Uncle's library
with a new kitchen in the spare room
living room in the dining room -
his library is the library, & the whole
back of the house in room & sent - hoping
for Medical men - He was delightful &
full of interest in the house as was Mrs P.
He could not believe that an excellent
tennis court could be managed
behind the house. I realize what a
problem this letter will be for you to read -
but it was so nice to be in touch with
you - that I have scrawled on & not
ruined spelling - Both Fultons & others
Keep me a bit in touch with Medical world.
Love to you & Wilda & Maude from
"Aunt Sue"

HOURS: 8:30-9:30 A. M.
2:30-3:30 P. M.

AND BY APPOINTMENT

DR. J. A. CHATARD

1300 N. CALVERT ST.

BALTIMORE, MD.

June 2, 1938

Dr. Wm. W. Francis
Montreal, Canada

Dear Bill:

I appreciate so much your letter and the copy of your own President's address at Richmond and I read it at once with a great deal of pleasure as I always do with anything connected with the name of Osler. I want to take this opportunity also to tell you how much I appreciate your signing the letter with Dr. Osler's pen; it was a touching thought and much appreciated.

I am so glad you sent the note about Eweline Church and I will write Mrs. Chapin and send her a small contribution.

Now as regards the bookplate. You are quite right in the abbreviation. The mistake came about in giving it over the phone to the man that was doing the work for me. I told him he could work in either letters, Montp. or Monsp. and not wishing to miss anything he decided to put them both in, hence the mistake. When the completed bookplate was brought to me it was too late to change it. I do hope it will only be caught up on by a few of the people who "know their muttons"

Be sure to let me know when you are coming to Baltimore and if you are over at the Hopkins ask for F.E.C. 4th who will be there the next couple of years.

With kindest regards and best wishes, I am

Yours very sincerely,

Allan C.

DR. J. A. CHATARD

1300 N. CALVERT ST.

BALTIMORE MD.

January 31, 1936

Dr. W. H. Francis
Montreal
Dr. J. A. Chatard,
1300 N. Calvert St.,
Dear Bill Baltimore, Md.

Dear Albert, please so much the card you sent with the picture of the alcove in the Osler Library. As regards Gruveilhers Atlas I want to let you know that I Tit for tat, or, as you hereditary Frenchmen go and they say, "à bon chat, bon rat". I'm delighted to swop Presidential used addresses, especially as they are both Oslerian, and also to and Thirup have your really splendid 3-generation bookplate. It is an artistic as well as a medical triumph. Congratulations to F. E. C. IV, and I hope he'll add some more books to the pyramid. when you do let me know.

Though by nature a critical cuss, I see only one slight flaw. What the deuce is the 'S' doing in Pierre's "UNIV. of MONTSP."? Surely it should be MONTP. in English or else, in Latin, "UNIV. ~~MOSP.~~" You can't have it both ways!

(MONSP.)

Did you hear from Lady Osler's sister, Mrs. Chapin, about the enclosed appeal for Ewelme? If not, a dollar or two will help fight the beetle and keep the magnificent roof over Alice of Suffolk and the Osler memorial. Gosh, will you ever forget the onslaught of the neatherd's "rum critters", when we nobly covered the retreat of the women and children with a couple of parasols?

Love to Baltimore.

Yours ever,

W. H. Francis

Yours ever,

(W. H. Francis)

DR. J. A. CHATARD

1300 N. CALVERT ST.

BALTIMORE, MD.

January 31, 1936

Dr. W. W. Francis
Montreal, Canada

Dear Bill:

I appreciate so much the card you sent with the picture of the alcove in the Osler Library. As regards Cruveilhiers Atlas I want to let you know that I had it with my things up until a year or so ago and then I thought it was better to put it somewhere where it could be used more, so gave it with a number of other volumes to the Medical and Chirurgical Faculty and they have put it there with their other books.

I do hope you will come down to Baltimore real soon and when you do let me know.

With kindest regards and best wishes, I am

Yours very sincerely,

Albert Chatard

Yours ever,

DR. J. A. CHATARD

15 E. BIDDLE ST.
BALTIMORE, MD.

Sept 9 1935
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Dr. J. A. Chatard,
15 E. Biddle Street,
Baltimore, 2,
Md., U. S. A.

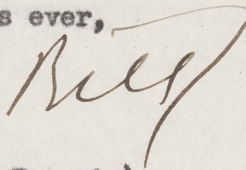
Dear Albert,

Sorry to hear about your bally bone-marrow.
I wish I could send you some of my good red blood,
but it wouldn't cure your alleged laziness, not that
I'm on the shelf yet, but I work short hours.

Congrats. on your fifty-two years of good
personal practice and five generations of ancestral
ditto.

I keep pretty well - a bit of bronchitis
again now that the weather has turned cool. I try
in vain to persuade my doctor that my heart is not in
it, so to speak, but he looks sceptical; and makes me
take the streetcar the one block up hill to the Library.

Yours ever,



(W. W. Francis)

WWF:cd

DR. J. A. CHATARD

15 E. BIDDLE ST.

BALTIMORE-2 MD.

Sept 9 th 55-

Dear Bill

Your very interesting letter of the 31st of Aug
came with the wonderful letter from Dr. Welch. We
will indeed file it in our archives. What a clear legible
hand and ink after over 60 years. I do hope you are doing
well and the cardiac condition now behaving. As for myself
I have been sleeping since March, as I am in the midst
of an aplastic anaemia, with my bone marrow not functioning.
I have had my 16th Blood transfusion so am buoyed on
borrowed blood from my friends etc.
All is going well at the Faculty and Library, and I am

being released of all outside duties. The old man
is being lazy and doing very little work after
52 years of general practice. So take good care of
yourself. we must both keep our chairs up.
Love as always

Yours

Wm C.
