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(Letter to Dr. Cushing)  
(handwriting)

~~GLEN VIEW,~~  
~~ST MARTINS,~~  
~~GUERNSEY.~~

July 17th (1903)

Dear Cushing

I was much disappointed about the Harvey picture; which was a beauty, but after the positive statements from Cust & Power and the glaring discrepancy in the date I could not think of it. So much obliged for the work on the cut. I am afraid it may be late for the October issue - which should be printed by the middle of August. Your account of Hector interested us so much - what a narrow escape he had. I have bagged two 1543 Fabrica's! 'Tis not a work which should be left on the shelves of a bookseller. I am sure your lecture can be made a great success. We should get up a lecture bureau & with a course on the great medical books of the world. Hippocrates, Galen Avicenna, Vesalius, Paracelsus, Harvey &c. - all well illustrated with lantern slides and the original editions. I am struggling with the question of the Editio Princeps of Avicenna. ~~The whole question of the extraordinary influence of Arabian Medicine.~~ I am deep in a life of Gui Patin & am interested in his tirades against polypharmacy & the Arabians. Did I tell you I got Harvey's letter to Riolan - had to pay \$6.6 for it. R. was Patin's great friend & they both scoff at Harvey's discovery even as late as 1670! I shall look up the Harvey portraits. I have stored up a dozen dealers to look for the de Motu Cordis. I have got the 2nd 3rd & 6th editions of Garth's Dyspnoea - they are valuable for the notes. I have the 1st at home. I will try to find something about the Kit Cat Club - G. wrote the verses for the glasses, did he not. 'Twould be a very good subject for the society - I am reading Kussmann's Dozentzeit in Heildeberg - 'tis not up to the Jugenderinnerungen but there are some very good pictures of his early days. Tommy is very well & happy. Mrs. O. cannot shake off the wheezing but I hope this bright clear air may cure it &c. Love to Sister Kate. I hope all goes well.

Yours sincerely

WM OSLER

Did Mrs. Carroll say anything about selling the house?

*Jugend Erinnerungen*

*Mrs. O. has caught the whooping cough from R. the brother before.*

July 17,