

13, Norham Gardens.

31st January, 1919.

Dear Shattuck,

By this time you will have George with you. We were so delighted to have him here, and I daresay he has never told you of the nice leg-up he gave to the Bibliotheca Osleriana, - 1000 dollars! for the special treasures; and please tell him that I have already spent £50 of it on my friend Averroes's Commentary on Aristotle 1473, a priceless gem, not in the British Museum or Bodleian; and the ed. pr. of Nicholas Cuza, and another 1475 small Aristotle. Then he must have brought me luck as from Paris came a medical tablet of the date of Sennacherib, the first medical one to have been found at Assur - the place you remember where the widows howled. It's an eye disease tablet, full of interesting prescriptions.

Harvey Cushing has been here quite well again after his war neuritis. He has had a fortunate escape as there have been a good many fatal cases. (v. next number Quarterly Journal of Medicine).

That dear old man, James Spalding of Portland has just sent me some letters of Nathan Smith and others, among them a letter from your Grandfather dated 1812.

Love to the family.

Sincerely yours,

W^m Osler.

