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A. Keogh to W.O.

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Private.

My dear Osler,

Your letter is the first intimation of the recall of Jones which I have had. Bruce must be a thick-skinned person. The fact that he had reported badly on Jones should have prevented his stepping into his shoes. Why do medical men hang on to the coat-tails of the laity? Are not the days of "patrons" for literary and scientific men yet over?

You would be surprised if you saw the number of letters, passed to me, written by medical men impressing perfectly obvious things upon the former. As if they were new discoveries, and yet learned from conversations with my staff or on our Committees. These things make we despair.

Yours sincerely,

Alfred Keogh.