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My dear Harvey Cushing, -

Many thanks for your very nice letter of August 21. I deeply regret that you are to be absent from this country at the time of our meeting in October, as I had hoped you would attend the Congress.

I have made a note of the individuals you have selected to become sponsors for the various distinguished guests, if and when they visit Boston; and I have no doubt they will do so. I hope the men you have chosen (and they are all satisfactory to me) will drop a line to the particular individual for whom they will be responsible, and that they will advise me that they have done so. And will you let me know whether you select Porter or Cheever to look after Lane.

May I take this opportunity to extend to you my appreciation of your biography of Sir William Osler. I am just finishing the last year. It is the most interesting biography I have ever read; as impelling as a novel and as instructive as a liberal education. Every medical student should be required to read it; and I am not sure that this requirement should not extend to every student who is taking a course in English literature in whatever school. I cannot imagine that anyone could read the book and not be inspired by it. Those who have had a classical education should find it a delightful review, and those who have not, a cultural contact much to be desired.

Again, my thanks to you.

Always sincerely yours,

*Franklin H. Martin*