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Dear Dr. Cushing,

ANATOMY:
R. B. BEAN
C. C. SPEIDEL

You have produced a monumental work in the life of Oster, and I read it by the hour. The "most unkindly cut" of all, however, is in the footnote on page 593, because it is not true. I had spent an extra year after graduation in teaching under Oster, and attended Oster's clinics and raised rounds to collect Osterisms. Oster, himself, was publishing the books, because there was no submitted the isms to him without each other's knowledge. He had the proof in his hands when he made that address and the story broke in the newspapers about chloroforming at 60. I must thank you for publishing the few Osterisms you got from me, but it would have been kinder had you left out that footnote. I will forgive you, because I got so much inspiration from you as a teacher and I have tried to pass it on. Also because you have given me so much delight in the reading of your books.

With all good wishes,

Very cordially yours,

R. Bennett Bean

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University of Virginia

Dear Bea. I thought you would like to have this original first document.

From a hand with ^{original first discovery} ~~letter~~ in the Cushing biography material (#8303)

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Yours sincerely,