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Dr. Harvey Cushing, Harvard University School of Medicine, Cambridge, Mass.

My Dear Doctor Cushing:

I take pleasure in sending you, under separate cover, a copy of the July issue of the JOURNAL of the American Veterinary Medical Association and would direct your attention to the leading article therein, entitled, "Osler and Veterinary Medicine," prepared by Dr. Ward Giltner, dean of the Division of Veterinary Science, Michigan State College. You will find that Dr. Giltner has drawn from your delightfully interesting "Life of Sir William Osler" quite a number of paragraphs, showing Osler's numerous contacts with veterinarians and veterinary medicine.

I might add that I, too, recently had the pleasure of reading this wonderful biography and would take this occasion to mention several points in connection with it. As you will note in the footnote on page 425, the A. W. Clement referred to later became quite a prominent veterinarian in Baltimore. As a boy, I remember him calling at our house in Philadelphia to talk over veterinary matters with my father (Dr. W. Horace Hoskins). Although I did not know it until I read your book, Osler and my father had offices within one block of each other in Philadelphia, during the eighties.

Just one other matter of interest. We have here in Detroit an old veterinarian, Dr. Joseph Hawkins, at the present time the oldest living graduate of the Ontario Veterinary College, formerly located in Toronto. Dr. Hawkins, as a boy, lived in the town of Dundas, Ont., and went to school with Osler whom he knew as Billie. They went to school together for about three years (1857 to 1860).

I thought you might be interested in looking over Dr. Giltner's article in the JOURNAL, as well as having brought to your attention the several observations recorded in this letter.

Cordially yours,

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