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Dr. Harvey Cushing
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My dear Dr. Cushing:

I have been reading with absorbing interest, your life of Sir William Osler. I venture to impose on your time both to express my appreciation and to tell you of a point which may interest you.

you mention, in volume II, pages 241 and following, letter of Dr. Osler to Mr. Phipps concerning the reprinting and distribution of R. Valery-Rodot's *Life of Pasteur*. I was surprised to learn that there had been any difficulty in getting the book, unless the edition which I own is unauthorized or abridged. A one volume edition, published in 1906 by Mc Clure, Phillips and Company from the translation by Mrs. R. d. Devonshire, has been a source of pleasure and

profit to me since my junior year at Harvard & together
(1907-8) when I used it as a text book in a course in Logic.

The connection is perhaps not obvious: Miss Frances
Hall Roumaniere (her married name I have stupidly forgotten, - she is
a niece of Dean Roumaniere of St. Paul's) offered the course in Logic
that year and tried the experiment of using scientific works as a basis.
Origin of Species was another book we used. As I remember it,
the fascination of Pasteur's life made it difficult to settle down
to dry old syllogisms, but I was a biology major so the volume
was eminently appropriate for me to own.

My not-quite-twelve-year-old son has dipped into
it, and recently I noticed it in the hands of my nine-year-old
daughter. I make it a point to have scientific and biographical
books within easy reach of the children, and while it may not
turn their lives to scientific research (I frankly hope it will)
it can certainly do no harm.

Financial considerations have forced me to read
our public library copy of your book, but it is one I shall own at
my very earliest opportunity, both for my own pleasure and in
anticipation of the children's future interest.

With very sincere appreciation,
Yours very truly,

Allen Montague Miller