

Harvey Cushing tells me that as a professional surgeon, he is almost ashamed at having written so well-received a biography of Osler. He says it is almost as damaging as playing a first-rate game of golf. Therefore he has been pleased when a few reviews have said it wasn't good at all. A reviewer in *The Nation* (London) called it a Biographical Bran Tub, which gave Cushing unaffected pleasure. "I don't know what a Bran Tub may be, but it's something disgraceful, I'm sure."

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recreation was snooting big and little game, said to me once: "I wonder how it would seem to shoot a man. I have shot at nearly everything else." It is fortunate he never knew. Any one who has any curiosity on the subject will in the biography of Prichard have it allayed.

Among the new novels, one of the best is "The Virtuous Husband," by Freeman Tilden. Without abandoning Sinclair Lewis, I wish both Americans and foreigners would read this. It is an excellent