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(To Dr. Sa'eed, Teheran, Persia)

FROM THE REGIUS PROFESSOR OF MEDICINE, OXFORD

1st August, 1913.

Dear Dr. Sa'eed:

It is exceedingly kind in you to send me that beautiful Avicenna manuscript. I have just shown it to Mr. Cowley at the Bodleian, who is delighted with it, and says it is in an unusually good state of preservation. Let me know, please, at any time, of others that may be offered for sale, and I would particularly like a manuscript of Avicenna's poems. Mr. Cowley tells me that he thinks modern volumes of his poems have been issued. I would like very much if you could have some one take a good photograph of the tomb of Avicenna, and send me a memorandum of the cost. I am interested also in Rhazes.

How long shall you be staying in Hamadan? I should like to send you a copy of the new edition of my text-book (1912).

Sincerely yours,

W^m Osler