

Henry B. Bowditch to his wife

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1st Congress of Phys & Surg. - Wm. Osler: Sp. 18-19

and

Metropolitan Club, Washington. Sept. 19th 88.

... "The Congress is in full swing & all the doctors of the country are here in great numbers &c. I have seen Osler for just a minute. I shall try to get hold of him again this evening."

Jamaica Plain, Nov. 11th 1888

"... By the way, did I tell you that Dr. Osler had left Philadelphia & gone to Baltimore to take a position in the Johns Hopkins University? I don't think that's quite fair of him for we wanted him in Boston you know, but supposed he couldn't be induced to leave Philadelphia."

[Boston] Jan. 30th 1889

"... I got a note from Osler today telling that he is thinking of going abroad next summer & asking when I expect to sail."

[Jama. Plain] Feb. 10th 1889

"... I have not heard from Osler yet but I hope we may be travelling companions. It will be very jolly if we can sail the ocean blue together."

[Jama. Plain] April 10th [1889]

"... I went to Philadelphia Sunday P.M. I saw Dr. & Mrs. Chapman that evening & the next morning Osler turned up & I breakfasted with him. He is as full of work as ever - finishing up his labors in Philadelphia before assuming new ones in Baltimore at the Johns Hopkins Hospital. We shall probably see him in Germany this summer though he is not likely [to] start as early as I shall."

[Jama. Plain] May 6th [1889]

"... I wrote ~~him~~ ~~letter~~ from Philadelphia which I hope reached ~~him~~ ~~safely~~. Dr. Osler's dinner was quite a festival. It is extraordinary what a hold he had on the profession in Philadelphia. They sent out 54 invitations to the dinner and had 52 acceptances. He is one of the most popular men I ever knew. It is quite uncertain whether he will be able to get to Europe this summer but if he does go we shall be sure to see him in Dresden."

16 Cook St. [London] June 1st [1890]

"... I have heard nothing yet of Drs. Osler or Billings."

Buchtergaden July 14th [1890]

"... I got a letter this evening from Billings telling me that he is to be in Munich about the 23^d or 24th inst. so that we shall doubtless meet there, which will be very jolly. I have not heard yet from Osler or from Senckler."

[Buchtergaden] July 20th 1890

"... I have heard nothing from Osler."

Berlin, Aug. 5th [1890] [Congress of Physicians].

"... Osler is also on his way home. He was very jolly & sent many kind messages to you."

Dear Dr. Cushing

Here are a few Osler items from my father's letters. I have no time to type them just now & send them just as I copied them. If you can't read them return them & I will do better by you.

Yrs

May 14 '21

Harold Bowman

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