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In the Spring of 1890 Osler & I  
arranged to join in a Studien-  
reise on the Continent, he to  
investigate Clinical arrange-  
ments & laboratories, I to  
study Museum methods —  
in view of the recent de-  
struction by fire of the University  
of Toronto Museum —

Osler crossed on April 26<sup>th</sup>  
and met me in London on  
May 5<sup>th</sup>, when we decided  
on Freiburg as a starting-point.

On May 17<sup>th</sup> we saw the  
new Surgical Theatre, visited  
Weissmann & Wiedersheim,  
and spent a pleasant evening  
with Ziegler, v. Kahldeu  
& others

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The following day, Sunday,  
we went to Titisee,  
climbed the Feldberg, and  
dined on the top, without the  
promised views of the Swiss  
mountains.

Next morning we attended a  
lecture by Bäumlér at 7,  
accompanied him round his  
wards at 8, listened to a  
clinical lecture at 9, and  
were present at an autopsy at  
10. After which we went on  
to Basel + Bern.

Urester was interested in  
the number of women students  
attending the classes of Langhans  
and Sahli - He learned that  
they had improved in quality

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Within the last few years, although  
we was discovered to be immersed  
in a Tauchnitz novel during the  
lecture.

At Zürich Prof. Sicksorst's  
Clinical Laboratory with Chemical  
& Bacteriological Outfit was  
much admired. We spent,  
however, the greater part of the  
day with Gaule, who showed  
us preparations illustrative of  
his cell-theories, and after  
dinner rowed us up the  
Zürcher See to Bändlikon  
where we had supper.

On the 23<sup>d</sup> we left Zürich at  
10, and arrived at Manich  
in time for supper, having  
dined on the deck of the  
steamer from Romanshorn to  
Lindau. Being wharfside

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the University Laboratories were deserted, and as Munich was full of people going to Oberammergau for the first representation of the Passion Play we decided to follow their example. Accordingly we left Munich at 6<sup>30</sup> next evening, and found, what we were led to expect as unlikely, places in a Stollwagen from Oberau to Oberammergau. There we were fortunate to discover a bedroom of sorts in the Wittelbacher Hof, and were glad to learn that tickets for the play were allotted to the beds in the village. After dinner we climbed the Kofelsteig, the highest point in the immediate vicinity - but Monday was devoted morning and afternoon to the play,

which pleased me by its simplicity in contrast with the more elaborate representation which I saw twenty years later. The same night we returned to Munich, Oskar having arranged to see Ziemssen & Bollinger on the following morning.

From Munich we went to Erlangen where Oskar saw a number of interesting cases with Straußfeldt and a visit was paid to Selenka.

The following day we spent at Würzburg - Oskar's notebook contains few references to our sojourn in Germany, but our visit to Kölliker impressed him so much that he wrote in it "The type of a senior Professor which might well be more common - the intellectual digestion usually gets feeble

often. The crux de guarantee and new methods are assimilated with difficulty. A man, however, who has brought out within a month or so the first part of a new edition of his General Embryology, 25 years after the last edition cannot be called old, although he may have reached the Psalmist's limit. Nothing is more inspiring than to see a veteran in the van."

After visiting the Anatomical Department, the Julius Spital and the fine surgical Amphitheatre, a visit was paid to Semper, and Oskar noted some interesting cases in Leube's wards, and in Kindreich's pathological theatre.

En route to Heidelberg we had some hours with Weigert

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in Frankfurt - Oeler descended  
Heidelberg as "too allowing  
to spend much time in Hospitals  
a Laboratories, so yielding to  
the seduction of the place we  
spent some days in long walks  
over the hills, evenings at 'Zum  
Pakeo' etc" Sunday June 1.

On one of these occasions, a  
gipsy caravan passed us, and  
our attention was arrested  
by the beauty of a young girl  
who sat on the end of the last  
van. Later in the day we  
encountered the caravan in  
Neckargemünd; the men  
had been taken in charge by  
the police for entering the town  
without permission, the  
women were protesting noisily,  
and our sympathies were  
awakened and our pockets  
lightened to the extent of a  
couple of marks by the tears

of the young beauty -  
 Oeder left unfinished in his  
 note book a most poetical  
 version of this incident  
 beginning "Upon what trifles  
 depend events of the utmost  
 importance to the individual"  
 He evidently intended his  
 "philologically-inclined  
 young Cousin Egerton,  
 instructor in English in the  
 University of xxx" to join  
 the gipsy band with the ob-  
 ject of acquiring Romany!

From Heidelberg we pro-  
 ceeded to Strassburg where my  
 wife who had been wintering  
 in Lausanne joined us.  
 There we saw most of Schwalbe,  
 but Oeder notes visits to  
 Kraenzlin's wards & Laboratory,  
 also to those of Recklinghausen  
 & Goltz.

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We stopped over at Nancy en route to Paris, and visited Bernheim's hospital where all the cases appeared to be treated by suggestion.

Rooms had been secured for us in the Rue Gay-Lussac by a friend of Osler, which proved very convenient for the University quarter. One of the first visits we paid was to Laveran who showed us his malaria preparations.

From the 10<sup>th</sup> of June onwards Osler's note book contains full accounts of the numerous lectures he attended by Peter "chiefly a tirade against the germ-theory" Dejerine, Debove, Bouchard, Charcot

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Hayem, Strauss, Luys. To judge by his notes Dejerine's lectures were most highly appreciated. Hypnotism was very much to the fore at this time, and Osler notes an unsuccessful attempt <sup>in Charcot's clinic</sup> to induce a girl of 13 with twisted feet to walk. — A lecture which we attended by Luys at the "Charité" — Osler described it as a regular circus — has a special note "Theatre crowded, many women, some fashionably dressed. First a short lecture on suggestion, then two girls came in, to one of whom he suggested that she was Prof. Luys, was about to deliver a lecture before the class. She immediately asked for her "tablier" changed

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appearance and style and  
began a lecture on Hypnotism  
which she had heard two years  
before when in the hypnotic  
state - It was admirably delivered  
with every alteration of voice &  
gesture of the original, even to  
the request to the back rows  
to make a little room for new  
comers. She then, as Prof.  
Luys, hypnotised another  
girl and showed the entire  
process."

Visits were also made  
to the Laboratories of Pasteur,  
Richet & Cornil, and lectures  
of other celebrities were attended.  
of Quatrefages he notes  
"an active & well studied  
lecture against Darwinism

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which might have been delivered  
in 1860 " and of Renan who  
was lecturing on the book of  
Daniel " an old man, stout,  
looking like a priest, very heavy  
cheeks and large nose, expression  
good, often laughs, voice not  
over sweet ?

The month spent in Paris  
was not destitute of  
distractions. We assisted  
at an interesting experiment  
at the Observatory where  
telephonic communication  
with the Opera had been  
installed, ~~and~~ through which  
the voices & orchestra were  
somewhat imperfectly heard.

of which however the Cyprus was approaching it close.

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Early in July we left for England, and experienced one of the most disagreeable <sup>Channel</sup> crossings it has been my lot to encounter. We separated at Dover, Olsen feeling too ill to go on.

Towards the latter part of the month I again went to Germany, visiting Dresden, Prag, Leipzig, Halle & Berlin, the <sup>best</sup> ~~latter~~ city in time to <sup>be present at</sup> ~~attend~~ the International Medical Congress, during ~~part of~~ which, although attending different sections, Olsen & I frequently met. He left for England on the morning of the 8<sup>th</sup> August