

1300 EUTAW PLACE

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My dear Dr. Osler

Pray accept my grateful acknowledgments for an inscribed copy of your magnum opus. I sat up late in the evening endeavoring to become a master of the ills that flesh is heir to. Sometimes I have expected to be President of a Medical Faculty, - (not an inchoate faculty, but one that is fully organized,) - so I take more than common interest as a layman in all the sufferings of poor humanity.

I find your volume, - in Dr Harper's
phrases, - half "prophecies"
& half "histories." I see the
record of all that I have
ever felt, & of all that
I expect to encounter, as I
walk through life with
your vade mecum in my
over-coat. It is a wonder
to me that amid the innumera-
-ble interruptions to which
you are exposed, you have

found time to complete so
great an undertaking and
that after all you had the
Herculean strength remain-
-ing for the compilation of
an index.

When I see the evidences of science
& of art which are enlisted
in the service of the Hospital
I can hardly be patient with
the delays in starting the school
of medicine. Always yours

Sincerely

D. C. Gilman

Keep these letters for me.

Yours
J. O.