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Cablegram from W.O.

Baltimore,
Mar, 26, '00.

To Schäfer, University Club, Edinburgh.

Application withdrawn local pressure too strong so sorry.

Lady O. adds that this phrase "So sorry" was very characteristic and must have infuriated S. after all
From W.O. OSLER.
1, W. Franklin Street, his trouble.

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Mar. 27, '00.

Dear Schäfer,

I felt very badly to cable yesterday as I did, but I was quite unprepared for the outburst which followed the announcement to my

colleagues that I was a candidate for the Chair. I had no idea that they would make it such a personal matter, and my special associates and assistants in the Medical Department were so stirred about it that my feelings were terribly harrowed. I suppose I should have counted on a strong local opposition but I had no idea that I should have to yield. After all, these men have stood by me for ten years in getting the School organized and the Hospital in working order. I am mortified to think that I should have caused you so much trouble. It is in many ways a great disappointment to me as I feel that I could have been very happy in Edinburgh., Mrs. Osler, too, is quite disturbed about it. She was very willing to go. All my friends in Canada have been very excited about it.

I cannot tell you how sorry I am to have given you so much trouble. I appreciate your great kindness more than I can tell ~~you~~. ***

Sincerely yours,
WM OSLER.