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1 Franklin Street, West, Baltimore, Md., Feb. 24th, 1903.

Dear Chadwick: -

No, I have not Aikin's Biographical Memoirs, and should like them very much. I know about the old bird and have his Memoir by his daughter, Lucy,

I am sending you Thacher's Military Journal. It is the first edition and I had it bound this year at Riviere's. It is really a very first class work and a great credit to the old man. By the way, Thacher's Diploma from the M.M.S. is in the hands of his grandson, Boutelle, of Hampton, Va., who might perhaps leave it to the Library.

I have a great many letters about the proposed Historical Society. Nearly all of the young men are in favor of it, but I have great hesitation about going into it, as I am so confoundedly driven

with so many things.

Sincerely yours. (Bigned) Wm.Osler