

Written on reading proof of my  
 monograph on Congenital Cardiac - 11 -  
 Disease for his System: M. E. Abbott.  
 Re: Congenital Cardiac Disease.

Jan. 23,  
 March 1908.

33 My dear Dr. Abbott:-  
 (Mauke)

I have just finished reading the proof of your System article. I expected you to write a good article, but I did not expect a work of such extraordinary merit. It is far and away the best thing ever written on this subject in English, possibly in any language. For years it will set the standard in it, and it is articles of this sort,- and there are not many of them,- that make a system of Medicine. Many many thanks

I was interested in your comment on Rokitansky's great work. My feelings were the same when I read the monograph.

(Signed) Wm. Osler.

P.S.-My one regret is that Rokitansky and Peacock are not alive to read it. W.O.

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As a result of the growing interest in all countries in public health measures, this year 1907 saw formal in Ireland

Oct. 12, 1907.

~~In this year (1907) a Women's National Health Association had~~

~~been formed in Ireland of which the Countess of Aberdeen had been chosen President, and it was apparent that some effort to stay the appalling ravages of tuberculosis in Ireland would be one of its~~

among the Irish foremost duties. The success of the itinerant tuberculosis 'Exhibition' in the United States had become known, and with the object of organizing

something similar, ~~to this~~, advantage was taken of the International

~~Exhibition~~ <sup>being held</sup> in Dublin to open in the Home Industries Subsection of this exhibition a tuberculosis exhibit <sup>Subsequently to be fostered about the country,</sup> <sup>Special</sup> A Central Tuberculosis

~~Exhibition~~ Committee was formed, and a course of lectures arranged,

and Osler was asked to give the <sup>consented</sup> opening <sup>inaugural</sup> address <sup>a Dingle evening October 12<sup>th</sup> in the</sup> Saturday, Oct. 12,

<sup>formally opened the night by Lord Aberdeen</sup> 1907. At this session <sup>the most excellent Lady Aberdeen had introduced his Excellency for her husband</sup> the Lord Lieutenant presided, Augustine

Birrell, the Chief Secretary for Ireland, <sup>was</sup> spoke a message of

<sup>and called on Augustine</sup> commendation was received from the King, and at the opening exercises

<sup>then in Professor</sup> Osler spoke informally as follows:

~~It was familiar ground for Osler but he did it well and said in part:~~

*Hand note (not typed)*  
Action here by the Royal Dublin Society. Then for ten years examine after read earlier in the day meeting the value of taking public action assembled into a day session of general information - a trumpet call on the part of his friends - but they were described to. On the following day the exhibition was

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