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May 12th, 1908.

Dear McCrae:-

It is perfectly useless to ask for manuscript for Volume VII before the first of October. You could not possibly get the volume out before this time next year. We have had an explanation of the Holmes affair. You remember I told you that Gordon Holmes denied having had any communication from me about the System. I thought he was getting g.p. About three weeks ago thirty pages of very badly typewritten manuscript came in, which I must say rather upset me, as it was quite the quiz-compends type. The day before yesterday I was surprised to have a letter from Gordon Holmes saying that he just had his manuscript about ready. He also said he had made inquiries why he had not got his volumes and found that they had been going to W. Gordon Holmes, and it turns out that we have been corresponding with a North London aurist of the same name and he has sent this other article. Fortunately, it is not long, but of course I shall have to pay for it. I hope you have printed Volume IV by this time.

Love to all in Baltimore,

Sincerely yours,

Wm. Osler.

*No wonder he hesitated to dictate since to the walking one will mean
Miss Metcal.
etc.*