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(Dr. Ruhräh) CUSA17/107.76 44 Ave d'Jena, Paris (Nov.) 22nd (1908)

Dear Ruhräh

The exceedingly kind invitation of the Faculty to be with you at the opening of the new Building and to give the annual oration has just been received. I am in a quandary. I am most anxious to spend the month of April in Italy with Mrs. Osler & my boy who will get away that month for his holiday. Would it not be possible to postpone the meeting until the middle of May? Would not the extra time be needed to get the building in order? You see I am most anxious to be with you, but to get out by April 27th would cut short my Italian trip to which I have been looking forward for so many years. If time is pressing cable me at above address "Meeting postponed" in which case you may take it that I accept.

Yours ever

Wm Osler

We are having a delightful visit here. I hope to remain until Jan. 1st. I have written to Jacobs & to Cushing suggesting to stir up the question of a portrait of Cordell. 'Twould gratify the old man immensely & be a due appreciation of his work & worth.