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Dear Harry T .-

So glad of your nice long letter. I have not seen the Professor; when over here he keeps in seclusion in a very funny way.

I should like to know at first hand how things are moving. Personally, I feel that to cut off the heads of departments from practice is a Utopian scheme, admirable on paper; but the very men who would be most in favor of it would be the first to get the professors to break their rules. Take a concrete instance -- John Gill, wishing to have Barker's opinion on his pancreas, would get it in spite of all the regulations. You couldn't tie up a group of four or five men, and not permit the public to utilize their special knowledge.

Under such conditions a Professor would not remain more than five or six years,

It is an experiment I would like very much to see tried, but not at the Johns Hopkins first. It might have been different if we had started to, but I do not believe that there is any possibility of success at present. . . . \

So sorry to hear that Mary Worthington has not been so well. I shall be glad to see her this summer.

Give my love to Hal and to Trudeau.

Revere and Mrs. Osler are off fishing in Wales. He has grown very much, and is thriving in everything except in Latin and Greek, which is rather a calamity...

I hope you will be quite well soon.

I am very interested in what you say about Gibson, who is a fine character in every way.

Love to your two girls.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed)

Wm. Osler.