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(A. C. Klebs)

....It would be delightful to see you in July; we shall be here until the last of August. Do let me know when you reach London.

I had a delightful trip to Egypt this winter, two months of sunshine, it was great fun.

I have been getting all sorts of literary treasures lately. Muller had a great sale in Amsterdam last week. I hope to get the J.F. Payne Library for the Hopkins; the most important private collection of medical books in England. By the way I got two fine letters of Haller for Cushing at the Amsterdam sale.

I am much amused at your Maccaroni comment [dietetic régime of Combe at Ouchy], curiously enough I saw two good Americans last week who swore heavily at it..... Give your wife my love, and do try to deserve her, which for you will be hard work. And do not forget to give my love to your father [Edwin Klebs, died 1913 in Bern].

(Dock reminiscences)

W. O. had a little diabetic patient, in Oxford (?), to whom he one day wrote a letter beginning in the middle of the sheet and working in a spiral to the edge of the paper, explaining to her that when he felt cross he always wrote letters that way and that when he got to the end his crossness always disappeared.

Mrs. Dock was at the Osler's one day when the little girl came with her governess to show Lady Osler the letter. Must have been just after the baronetcy, as Mrs. Dock heard the child say to her governess afterward, "I remembered every time, and didn't call him 'Dr. Osler' once."

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