To the Librarian & Staff of the Surgeon General's Library, Washington.

Dear Friends:

Among the 1000 telegrams and letters which I received not one touched my heart more closely than that which you all so kindly sent. Not a little of any success I may have had is due to the enormous stimulus which the publications of your department have had in my work. You who are part of the machine that pulls the profession along little realize the amount or importance of your labors. I dare say the next generation will be able to appreciate better what you have done. I can honestly say that no one of this generation has had a more grateful sense of his obligations than your sincere friend and well wisher.

Wm. Osler

Oxford Sept. 1st, 1911.

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