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From the Regius Professor of Medicine, Oxford

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Dear Hurd,

It will be impossible for me to leave in these troublous times, and, to my great sorrow, I shall have to give up my proposed visit. Lady Osler and Revere sailed ten days ago, just before war was declared. We shall be here in the centre of the hospital work, as the plan is to utilize the University and College buildings. Already within the week the big Examination Schools has been converted into a hospital. Nearly 300 beds are ready, and we could take patients in a few days. I am trying to get into touch with Welch, who is,

I am afraid, stranded somewhere on the Continent. Miss Nutting, too, is there.

Love to the girls.

Sincerely yours,

Wm. Osler