

(To Dr. Casey Wood)

13 Norham Gardens, Oxford.  
22nd (Dec.?, 1915)

Dear C. W.

Narrow escape, but only the dining room burnt out. All well here and very hopeful in spite of transient set tasks. It is hard to turn a democracy into an army in a few months.

That tobacco business will be helpful\*. 'Tis wonderful how much help comes over. Money has simply poured into this house from America, chiefly for the Belgian Professors of whom we have 22 with their families. Poor devils, it is a sad affair for them. Revere is off with the McGill Unit but now goes with No. 3 Field Ambulance.

The Library grows. My bro. E. B. gave me \$7000<sup>00</sup> which I have spent in incunabula & Mss. and rarer works. It will make a fine collection for McGill.

Greetings to you all for 1916

Yours ever

W<sup>m</sup> Osler

\*In re. subscription to cigarette fund.)