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Simon

Dear Flexner:

The encephalitis outbreak has subsided. I wrote Bullock, on receipt of your cable, to send you, if possible, material.

Hearing that George Draper was in France, I got Ireland to send him over, and no doubt he has sent you his brief Report on the waning epidemic. The clinical features are very remarkable, particularly the lethargy and the cranial nerve involvement. Draper found some with definite residual peripheral paralyses.

Now comes up another point - Bradford writes that there have been a good many cases of a disease resembling polyneuritis. In the fatal cases marked changes have been found and the disease is transmitted to monkeys. It is probably Heine-Medin disease, but there have been no encephalic symptoms. You will have noticed that the lethargic type has been prevalent in Paris and in Vienna. I believe they are all one and the same disease.

Love to you all,

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) Wm. Osler

*Cf. W.O.s lecture of June 18th
in Oxford*

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