

Dr. Hattinckes

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Private

My dear Principal Drown,

I was as glad  
to have your letter  
here yesterday evening as  
I have been very glad  
to come and see you again  
in person. But it was  
impossible on this occa-  
sion. I have it is  
true been over to Ottawa  
for one night to see

my old & valued, though  
grateful friends, at home  
must know. But I could  
not have shown my face  
in England again had I  
not done so. I came ~~thru~~  
the sea to make a  
break in a broken life,  
& the next object of  
my heart here, and I  
took the excuse to free  
me to get some rest for  
which I had no desire,

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nor least. But in truth  
a further reason came -  
what circumstances led me to  
come to my Canadian friends  
this year - for I am  
about to go to Santiago  
for a business meeting - to  
Baltimore - and to  
Washington and to be off  
home again the first week  
in October. I am  
greatly interested in the  
subject of which you write

and much desirous to  
further my utterance of  
a difficult subject on  
such thin and many opinions.  
I will however to do all  
in my power. But as  
you state in your letter  
there are difficulties in  
the Dominion as well as  
in England. Our  
Medical Legislation at  
home is very complicated