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Dear Dr. Cushing;

Your letter of May 23 gave me a great deal of pleasure. Your magnificent present of The Life of Sir William Osler was a most flattering surprise. It is one of the most delightful books I have had the good fortunebto have. You have put so very much of yourself into it that to me it is doubly delightful. To be sure I have not yet read the whole of it but enough to see this. I do not know how to thank you for it.The very great pleasure you have given me both in presenting me with a copy and my pleasure in reading it must be your recompense.Your wonderful friendship means more to me than I can express.

I am about nine miles out of Portland but for all my friends and any mail I prize I use the home address. The rural mail is too uncertain both as to delivery and as to weather exposure. The old address is best and as the folks drive out frequently there is very little delay and absolute guarantee of delivery.

The old malady is riding me with a hard hand now; draining to beat the band and keeping up the pain. No healing, no sequestra discharging, no progress that I can see. However I still am not

downhearted and still find the old world good.

I was greatly shocked to read the notice of dear Dr. Thomas' death. He was most charming to me. I have often wondered whether Mrs. Thomas is living: I'd like to have her know how grieved at Dr. Thomas' death.

Surely the Life will have a good therapeutic influence on me, at least mentally. Mother is as proud of the books as I am and has read quite a deal alresdy. My sister and Miss Mac Manus join with her in sending their very best remembrances.

I thank you.

With love,

Yours sincerely,

Frank Ortschild