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11/27/58
December 1st, 1958.

McGill University
Ernest M. Fell, M.D.
68 Biglow Street,
Fall River, Mass.

Dear Fell,

I opened your "Osler Society" letter and have written a few pencil (rub-out-able) remarks in copy no. 480 of those fabulous "Tributes" which have given me a permanent superiority complex, heightened last week by a book dedicated partly to me.

This book will be posted to you shortly. Please make your check for \$5.00 (five) payable to the McGill University, but send it here to the Osler Library.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

W.W.F.

W.W. Francis, M.D.

Are there or is there another copy available? I would like one for my library. I have a copy please send me one and I will send you a check. Thanks.

Yours truly
Ernest M. Fell

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McBurl University
Under society
presented.

Dear sir:

I have just read the Bulletin
of the History of Medicine

Vol XXXI March-April '57 No 2

On Page 192 a book review on
my friend W. W. Francis -

Tribute from his friends - an
edition limited to 500 copies.

I did not know of this presentation.

Are there or is there another
copy available? I would like

one for my library. If you
have a copy please send me one
and I shall send you a check.

Thanks.

Yours truly
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with pen
14th)

12/11/58

Dear Dr. Francis,

Today received copy No
4 W of the "fabulous 'Tribute'"
Thanks for your "nth-out-aski"
remarks.

I also wish to thank you
for your letter of Oct 21 '58
containing the information
from Miss Revere - Lolly
& Helen's room - above Pearson
House.

And now to start reading
the "Tribute".

A Merry Christmas and
Happy New Year to you
Sincerely
Ernest M.

Ans'd
20.11.58

ERNEST M. FELL, M.D.
68 BIGELOW STREET
FALL RIVER, MASS.

2/14/58

W. W. Francis, M.D.
Osler Library
Montreal, Canada

OSLER LIBRARY,
21 Oct., 1958.

Dear Dr. Francis,

I last saw you on 9/1/58
in Osler's
kind enough to give me part
of the library.
I read and enjoy every thing
can get on
Today -
obtained
presented
Religio
Observations
Chandam

Dr. Ernest M. Fell,
68 Bigelow St.,
Fall River,
Mass., U. S. A.

Dear Dr. Fell,

I have just heard from Miss Revere, Lady Osler's
niece, about her cousin Barbara.

Edward Hutchinson Robbins had two daughters (1) Mary
who married a Judge Howe, great-grandfather of Barbara, and
(2) Mary, wife of J. W. Revere, grandfather of Lady Osler.
When Barbara came back from Oxford she taught English
literature at Simmon's College. She died about ten years
ago, "or perhaps longer", of flu, "or something of the
kind," before the wonder drugs were commonly used. She
had three brothers, only one of whom is living. Barbara
Howe was always much closer to the Reveres in affection
than in degree of relationship.

Miss R. is glad that the relic has come into such
appreciative hands.

With best regards.

Yours sincerely,

W. W. F.

W. W. Francis, M.D.,
Librarian.

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Ans'd
20. 11. 58

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2/12/58

W W. Francis M.D.

Oster library

Montreal, Canada

Dear Dr. Francis,

I last saw you on 9/21/58
in Oster's library and you were
kind enough to give me postcards
of the library.

I read and study everything I
can get on Dr. Williams.

Today - at long last - I
obtained a signed (Whose)
presentation copy of Brown's
Religio. Medicine and Hygiene
Observations issued "at the
Clarendon Press" in 1909.

ERNEST M. FELL, M. D.
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FALL RIVER, MASS.

Dr Osher has written -

Barbara Howe

in memory of happy days at

Oxford in 1909-11

from W Osher

The book is in good
condition.

Dr. Francis, could you
tell me who Barbara Howe
was or is?

Thanks a great deal and
best regards.

Sincerely
Fell

"Rhyolite"
Aylmer Road, Hall
Quebec

Mr. with note sent to Dr. Maughan

OSLER LIBRARY,
31 Oct., 1951.

Mrs. K. Fellowes,
R. R. No. 1,
Hall, P. Q.

Dear Mrs. Fellowes,

Please accept my thanks and those of the "Curators" (trustees) of the Osler Library and the Medical Faculty's for the gift of that interesting original letter of Sir Wm. Osler, 18 March, 1914, to your mother, Mrs. Monk. The recommendation of Dr. (late Sir) Archibald Garrod makes it doubly interesting. It was he who succeeded Osler as Regius Professor of Medicine at Oxford, and I worked under him at the Children's Hospital in London in 1905. He lost all his three sons in the war of 1914, but lived to see his only daughter become famous as the first woman professor at Cambridge.

We are also very grateful to Dr. Maughan for his part in this thoughtful gift. He brought it in an hour ago but, unfortunately, while I was lecturing.

I wonder if your mother did consult Garrod?

Yours sincerely,

W. W. Francis

W. W. Francis, M.D.,
Librarian.

WWF:ed

Tuesday -
Nov. 13 1951

"Edgewater"
Aylmer Road, Hull
Quebec

Dear Dr. Francis -

you ask me if I saw
Sir Archibald Garrod - yes, I saw
him three or four times, and he
told me, I was one of seventy known
cases of intermittent hydrobrosis
and said at that time there was
no known cure - After all these
years I still have found no
cure -

I was delighted to give Sir

William Osler's letter to McGill -
and if at any time a cure for
this very trying ailment comes
to your attention, ^{hope} you will con-
tact me or Dr. Vaughan

yours very sincerely

Marjorie C. Fellows -
(Mrs. 12 - ")

Tuesday -
Nov. 13 th 1951

THE UNIVERSITY OF ROCHESTER
SCHOOL OF MEDICINE AND DENTISTRY
260 CRITTENDEN BOULEVARD
ROCHESTER, NEW YORK

January 27, 1942

Dr. W. W. Francis
Osler Library
McGill University
Montreal, Canada

Dear Dr. Francis:

I am most grateful to you for your helpful suggestions concerning a motto for the American Physiological Society. Both of the suggestions which you made seem very suitable and short enough to be easily incorporated into a design for a seal. The familiar English translation might be, "Study nature not books", but the Latin form would seem to be preferable. Whether I can accomplish the design by myself to the satisfaction of all is very doubtful. I believe that in the end I shall have to suggest a public competition in which all members are free to submit their own design. From the various seals submitted the Council could then select the one which seemed best. I am not particularly talented in this direction myself.

If you should have any further thoughts in this matter in the next few weeks, I should appreciate them very much.

Sincerely yours,

W. O. Fenn

Wallace O. Fenn

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^{sent}
Another Copy to Dr. Fulton.

January 12, 1942.

24 January, 1942.

Dr. Wallace G. Fenn,
School of Medicine,
University of Rochester,
Rochester, N.Y.

Dear Dr. Fenn,

John Fulton, with an embarrassing idea of my "flair" for mottoes, &c., asks me to send you some suggestions for the seal of the Am. Physiological Society.

Appropriate words, I think, might be taken from (1) Galen's definition of physiology (as one of the five parts of medicine) in section xi of his "De definitionibus" (Kühn, xix, p. 351), or (2) Harvey's dedication (to Argent) of the "De motu".

(1) I don't know of an English translation and so make my own: "Physiology is concerned with the observation theoria, which implies looking into as well as looking at, of the power of Nature who guides and governs us". Not many words can be put on a seal, so one must select, e.g. NATURE OUR GUIDE AND RULER, or, if Latin (from Kühn's translation) or Galen's own Greek is preferred, REGENS NOS ET MODERANS NATURA or REGENS NOS NATURA, or Η ΔΙΟΙΚΟΥΧΗ ΗΜΑΣ ΦΥΣΙΣ; to put in the other two words, after ΗΜΑΣ, viz. ΚΑΙ ΟΙΚΟΝΟΜΟΥΧΗ, would probably be too lengthy. Instead of the older (but more typable!) "C", Σ, the more familiar form of Greek capital S can be used.

(2) Harvey (1658 translation) says, "I do not profess to learn and teach anatomy [which to him included our 'physiology'], from the axioms of philosophers, but from dissections and the fabrick of nature". FROM THE FABRICK OF NATURE might do, or a phrase from his original Latin: NON EX PLACITIS SED FABRICA. It wouldn't do to add NATURAE at the end, unless you also put in PHILOSOPHORUM before SED, which would make it too long, I fancy. A good brief motto from this would be EX FABRICA NATURAE.

If you want me to look further, let me know.

Yours sincerely,

W. W. F.

January 19, 1942.

Dr. Wallace O. ~~Finn~~
School of Medicine and Dentistry
University of Rochester
Rochester, ~~Minn.~~ N.Y.

Dear Wallace:

Your letter of January 12th was forwarded to me here on the west coast where I am on a trip for the National Research Council and will not be back again before the end of the month. You flatter me by suggesting that ~~I~~ you might pull a motto out of my head for the seal of the Society. I have thought about it a good deal since your letter arrived and have nothing very happy to suggest. I am sending your letter on to W.W. Francis, Librarian of the Osler Library, who has a great flair for such things and I think it might be worth while awaiting his suggestions.

I have a reprint of Davey's paper entitled "New Research on Flame" which Davey had given to his brother John. He inscribed it, "Ardeat semper flamma". This in itself would scarcely be suitable, but "Ardeat semper" might not be inappropriate. Wilder Penfield went to Bill Francis with the same problem for the Neurological Institute in Montreal and Bill, after several days cogitation, came back with a Greek quotation from Galen which began, "I have seen the wounded brain heal". It was, of course, wonderfully appropriate and Penfield adopted it immediately. If Francis can do something like this for the Physiological Society, it will be gratifying.

I shall be back in New Haven about January 27th.

Yours sincerely,

J. F. Fulton, M.D.

Dictated in Portland, Oregon, and transcribed in New Haven.