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Department of Physiology.

December 31, 1932.

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

Dear Bill:

Your gentle reminder of the 27th has just reached me. I am distressed to find that I have forgotten to send you the six volume Boyle. It will go off by express early next week for sure.

I have just been breakfasting with several members of the Modern Language Association now meeting in New Haven. Professor R. W. Cawley (124 Pyne Hall, Princeton), a friend of Gordon Chalmers, is very eager to do something about a facsimile of the Sir Thomas Browne sale catalogue. He has been working at it for a year, but is perplexed by a great many of the titles some of which I think can be readily identified by anyone familiar with early medical literature. Chalmers wonders whether you would be willing to assume the duties of editor-in-chief writing preface and notes, if Cawley agreed to write an introduction covering particularly the relation of the titles in the sale catalogue to citations and text of the Pseudoxia. Cawley has also devoted a good deal of attention to Edward Browne's additions to the library.

By a rather extraordinary combination of coincidences Mansbridge of the Cambridge Press came to see me yesterday and asked whether you had done anything with the Browne sale catalogue as Roberts was much interested in view of their recent facsimile of Swift. The Yale Press is also interested, so I think there will be no difficulty about publication provided you are willing to take part in it.

With best wishes,

Yours ever,

John

Hugh M. You

DEPARTMENT OF PHYSIOLOGY

December 30, 1932

My dear Bill:

↑

Yours ever,

John

P.S. I am sending to you as a belated Christmas offering Thoms' book on the history of American obstetrics.

27 Dec.1932

Dr. J. F. Fulton,
Yale University
School of Medicine,
New Haven, Conn.

My dear John:

The other day I came across a letter of yours of
X June 8, 1932, which begins "I shall see that that six-volume edition
of Boyle goes off within a few days." I hope that you did not change
your mind and that it did not go off because we have never received it.

We had a jolly Christmas and I hope you had too.

Love to you all,

Yours ever,

Ruth

P.S. I have ordered the MacPike "Halley" which you recommended.

X In June 6th I wrote that we would gladly pay the freight.

The Osler Library

Dec. 21, 1932

Dr. J. F. Fulton,
Yale University,
School of Medicine,
NEW HAVEN, Conn.

My dear John:

The other day I came across the MS of Adami's Warrington address 1926, which I ought to have returned a year ago. I enclose extracts covering the references in it to the Academy. I am very sorry not to have got these to you before you wrote your paper, but I doubt if they would have made any difference. I do not suppose you would care to see the whole MS, but in case you should, I shall keep it here until I hear from you. Who in Warrington would be likely to give me information about John Robson, who presented his books to McGill in 1870?

Marian and I had flu last week but have both recovered. I hope you will all have a good Christmas at Topsfield.

We were much impressed by the handsome Christmas card picture of Arnold in shorts. We would like to have had a full length view.

Love to you all.

Ever yours,

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December 9, 1932

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

My dear Bill:

"Commendation from Sir Hubert is praise indeed", and I am most beholden to you for examining the Warrington manuscript and sending me your several suggestions. When you read a thing and approve of it, I feel infinitely happier. Many, many thanks,

I am glad also to have your renewed suggestions concerning the rendering of 16th century English. I wish that some uniformity could be reached about it, and I shall try to ^{make this uniform} ~~reform~~ this passage. However, ~~no one~~ seems not at all settled on this point.

With best wishes,

Yours ever,

John

He just 'saw' a shrimp - (body water) - took out the precursor area

The Osler Library

Dec. 7, 1932

Dr. J. F. Fulton,
Yale University
School of Medicine,
New Haven, Conn.

My dear John:

I have your most interesting letter of the 2nd,
and perfectly excellent paper on Warrington.

One of the surest tests of good writing is, to me,
the fact that one can read it easily without being pulled up.
Your paper passes the test, and as you can see by the fairly tidy
margins, I have little to correct or query.

In quoting Elyot on p. 6, the same question comes
up as in your Humanists paper. Do modernize the "i-j" and "u-v".
This does not represent Elyot's printing or pronunciation but
simply the rule of the printing house. Another printer would have,
for instance, yniuersities. It is confusing to modern readers, and
wrong, I think, to retain these peculiarities, especially when you
inconsistently convert the long "f" into little "s" (a similar
printing fashion) except in one place on p. 19, where found (sound)
is "found".

I am returning the paper under separate cover, and
may not post it until tomorrow..

In haste,

Yours ever,

W. W. F.

X: Posted 8th. 1st cl. not registered.

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December 2, 1932

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

My dear Bill:

You were generous enough sometime ago to ask me to send you my Warrington paper when ~~it~~ it was finished. I enclose a carbon copy herewith, and I should greatly appreciate suggestions, corrections and admonitions. If I publish it, everything that you send will reach the printers! I had a delightful two days in Baltimore, but they worked me very hard (three lectures!). I saw Popsy, Sigerist, Garrison, Oliver, Jacobs, Futch, Thayer and many others. They were kindness itself, especially those jolly neurologists who invited me to address their monthly meeting which was held in one of the better speakeasies! They got around to calling on me for my paper about eleven p.m. and I was introduced simultaneously by four people. The night before (Monday), Sigerist gave a dinner at his house before the meeting of the Hopkins Medical History Club. It would seem almost as though he had been born and brought up in this country so complete is his adaptation. He showed Popsy just how to shake cocktails, had cigarets on the table at dinner and discussed the relative merits of his various bootleggers! At the meeting afterwards, Popsy and Garrison got a little bit tied up on terminology. Garrison was reading a short communication after my paper was over on Sydenham's denial of final causes. Popsy insisted that there was no such thing as a final cause anyway, and that what Garrison really meant was teleology. Garrison grew red as a turkey gobbler and said that Dr. Welch seemed not to have understood Spinoza. By this time the audience had all become interested and there was a free-for-all discussion after the fashion of school men. Dr. Jacobs gave a lunch Tuesday afternoon and at four, Dr. Thayer had tea before the annual meeting of the Tudor and Stuart Club which took place at five. Futch is president this year and introduced the speaker, Nicoll of London, who dilated at some length on Kenelm Digby. There were nearly 200 present, and the Tudor and Stuart Club is clearly a growing concern.

My love to you,

Yours ever,

John

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November 21, 1932

My dear Bill:

Many thanks for yours of the day before the Harvard-Yale game. Oslerian references to Boyle are not common, and I am particularly glad to have this since I had feared that W. O. was not familiar with the many references in Boyle to contemporary medicine. It is nice that you were able to identify the volume itself.

Mill Rock is settling down again after a very noisy week-end which, thank heaven, is passed ^{and} over.

Did you see that Sotheran is offering their Newton collection once more at a greatly reduced price? In 1929 they wanted to £30,000 for it and now they are offering it for £10,000, i.e., less than a quarter of the original amount.

With best wishes,

Yours ever,

John

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November 18, 1932

My dear Bill:

Your letter has cheered me more than anything that has happened to me since I received the Order of Chastity (second degree) from Carol II. As soon as I "dialize" my next whale, I shall have the scene photographed, but I am not yet quite sure whether we can install a "swimway" for cetaceans. However, I do propose at my earliest opportunity to study the motor representation of the elephant's trunk as it would have an interesting bearing on the results recently obtained on the tail area of spider monkeys. I shall have photographs of this also for your benefit, but it has occurred to me that you might prefer to see us carrying out our experiment on the vagus nerve of the giraffe. When we are about to do this I shall send you a telegram!

The anecdote about the 24-hour specimen (your anecdote) has been very demoralizing. Please give some warning on the envelope on the next occasion.

The roof will probably blow off Mill Rock this week-end since Lucia's siblings, four in number, each with wife or husband (as the case may be), and numerous friends, are arriving this evening with the intention of attending the Yale-Harvard football match tomorrow. There are fourteen for dinner tonight and thirty-two for lunch tomorrow!

Love from us both,

Yours ever,

John

I am still trying to write a paper on arthropods

Nov. 17, 1932

Dr. John Fulton,
Yale University
School of Medicine,
New Haven, Conn.

Dear John:

I sent you yesterday some "reflexions" on your reprints. Today I have just read a postcard written by W.O. from North Berwick in August 1901 to the then Medical Librarian here, in which he says "I sent yesterday (or ordered to be sent after the binding is repaired) Boyle's Natural Philosophy 1667, from the 2nd part of which a good idea of the state of medicine about the middle of the 17th century can be obtained."

The end of the sentence betrayed him. And of course it turns out to be the "Usefulness of Experimental Naturall Philosophy" 1664 and 1671, your #52 and 53. The book has a new back, and was accessioned in 1902, presented by W.O. I have just found it among some old uncatalogued items in the Medical Library. Fortunately it turns out to be the Oxford issue, #52, whereas our Bibl. Osler. copy (no. 943) is the London issue, your #51.

Yours ever,

Bill

C O P Y

OSLER LIBRARY,
McGILL UNIVERSITY
MONTREAL, CANADA
28 Oct., 1932.

Dear Colonel Garrison,

To the present officials I have just formally acknowledged receipt of the last volume of the "3." series of the Index Catalogue. But the completion (more or less along the old lines) of the great work -- aere perennius and infinitely more useful -- draws from a grateful heart some tribute to the Old Guard, quorum pars magna fuisti.

If the dead die not and Osler is more than a worldful of influence and a handful of ashes, doubtless he is celebrating the occasion with a dinner to Billings and Fletcher at the Elysian Club.

I see there is to be a Fourth Series (quantum mutata ab illis?). When its completion comes to be celebrated up there, perhaps we can be mit.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

W. W. Francis

Colonel F. H. Garrison,
Welch Medical Library,
Baltimore.

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October 19, 1932

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

My dear Bill:

Have you seen Eugene MacPike's "Correspondence and papers of Edmond Halley" just been published by the Oxford Press, 21 shillings? It is an admirable bit of scholarly work, and I think you ought to have it for the library. MacPike is a queer devil, but a first-rate scholar. Remind me to tell you about him sometime.

Yours ever,

John

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October 17, 1932

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

My dear Bill:

On the night of Tuesday, October 4th, I wrote a card to you in my own hand and put an extra stamp on it that it might be treated as a letter, drawing your attention to the De oculis. In particulata tertia, cap. II, in which the Latin equivalent of Naturals and Nonnaturals, etc. was used. The edition in which I saw it was one of the late Junta reprints of about 1575 and it occurred on page 185 (? vol. II). I take it that you have found the same thing in another edition. I did not appreciate that it was spurious, but this circumstance, surely, makes it even more interesting. Do keep hot on the trail.

On the same postcard, written in the same hand, I mentioned James Mackenzie's The history of health, 3rd edition, Edinburgh, 1760, in which on page 4, is a reference to the Galenic origin of the theory of naturals and nonnaturals.

Do keep me posted about the reprints of the "Way of Life". I should like to obtain copies for students here.

With regard to the reproduction of the Browne Sales catalogue I would say that the matter of expense is the chief thing to be considered. It would cost about \$1.00 a page to have adequate glossy bromide prints made that would be suitable for the Yale Press to work with and these glossy prints would of course be less satisfactory.

With best wishes,

Yours ever,

John

*H.S. has been here for 3 days will Mrs C. He will be writing
you later of his intentions*

Oct. 14, 1932

Dr. J. F. Fulton,
School of Medicine,
Yale University,
New Haven, Conn.

My dear John:

In yours of the 11th you speak of a 'reference I sent you the other day concerning Galen's use of the term "Non-naturals" in his tract De Oculis'. I do not remember any such reference, and cannot find a letter from you containing it. I have had a bit of a search for that tract, which I could not find in Kuhn, though it is in the old Latin editions, e.g., #353. It is not Galen's, but a manifestly spurious work compiled more or less from him and quoting him and Paul of Aegina and other ^{late} ~~old~~ writers. Hirschberg, in Der Ges. Augenheilkunde Handbuch, Vol. xii, pp. 317 and 355, discusses the tract and concludes that it is not Greek at all, but the work of an Arab. Is this the tract you refer to? Meanwhile I shall look through it for anything that looks particularly non-natural. (See P.S.)

I am glad you liked the Ontario "Way of Life" pamphlet. The distribution is held up while Archie and I try to settle the question of royalties. We are both anxious to have the work published again as a separate booklet in America, but it is hardly to be expected that any publisher will undertake it if it is being widely distributed gratis by the Ontario Department of Health. I am sending you today a copy of the new edition which we had specially printed for the annual distribution to medical students here. I have inserted a bibliographical note. Hitherto they have used the Baltimore edition since the distribution began about 1927, but that is now out of print.

Ever so many thanks for "Dean Swift's Library". If I thought I could do a job like that for the Browne catalogue, I would be more tempted to tackle it. Was it you or Chalmers, my Browne student of last year, who told me about a Princeton man who has made a special study of the Browne catalogue. He ought to be the man to do it. It requires a literary student of the period and I am not that.

This reminds me that at the last annual meeting, Dec. 1931, of the Curators of this Library, I brought up the question of loaning our copy of the Browne sale catalogue to the Yale or ~~their~~ Press for the purpose of reproduction. The Curators were against granting permission, and asked me whether it could not be just as well reproduced from a photographic copy which we would make here. When I told them I thought it could not, they asked me why not. I did not know enough about the technical process to be able to convince them.

Yours ever,

W. W. F.
A.

P.S. →

I put the carbon as wrong for the West
sheet ("P.S."). I gave him an
analysis of the oc. from the
ed. Chart. #145, X, pp 508-22
+ ~~copy~~ of the caps 2, sect. 3. pp. 509-10
giving the last 1/4 of it.

W.W.J.

also ref. to #353, lines
288-295^v.

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October 13, 1932

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

My dear Bill:

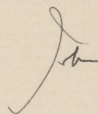
Many thanks for your letter of the 11th. I am glad that you found the Galen references useful. Have you looked into the De oculis as yet?

I am glad to know that my Osler Club paper has appeared. I wish you would stir up the office to see whether they are going to send me any reprints. I have had several requests from libraries and I am afraid I shall forget about them by the time the reprints come.

I have never looked into the Galen on the arteries containing blood. Does it contain anything 'psychological'? Our seminar in the history of medicine started yesterday and having had a rather disturbing day and a late night (at a faculty meeting-lest you misunderstand me), I had planned nothing and spent the hour discussing the Bibliotheca Prima. It aroused much interest and served, I think, as a very useful bit of ground work for the first session on the history of medicine.

I am also sorry to hear that your infernal customs are bothering you about that little book. Point out that the book was printed in England and I have already paid duty on it in America!

Yours ever,



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October 11, 1932

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

Dear Bill:

I have never thanked you for sending me the ~~newer~~ reprint of "The way of life" issued by the Board of Health of Canada. Has it been completely suppressed? It was so good of you to think of me, and if copies of it ever become available, I should like to have them to pass around to the students.

Have you done anything more with the "Non-naturals" and have you been able to find the reference I sent you the other day concerning Galen's use of the term in his tract De Oculis?

With best wishes,

Yours ever,

J. S. M.

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Oct. 11, 1932

Dr. J. F. Fulton,
Yale University
School of Medicine,
New Haven, Conn.

My dear John:

Did I ever thank you for the excellent paper on Boyle and his influence. It is a perfect complement to your very perfect bibliography.

X
It was very silly of me to overlook Elyot's "Castel of Helthe". I thought of it, but dismissed it as being popular stuff which probably would not go into these abstruse theories. It was many years since I had looked into it. Sure enough it was all there, Naturals, Nonnaturals and Contranaturals. I have started trying to read Galen's "De Sanitate", but have not got very far. Twice I have gone to sleep over it. He is so diffuse and his reasoning always seems as difficult to follow as ~~the~~ epistle of St. Paul. So I do not know yet to what extent Johanniscus and Elyot base their accounts on this work. I have sent some references to the term "Naturals" to the Oxford Dictionary, hoping they will put some definition of it into the supplement.

I hear your Osler Club paper has appeared in the current Canadian Journal. I must have a look at it.

Yours ever,

Bill

P.S. notice from potter customs of smells

X, but you ever tackle his work on the
Hysteria as containing blood? Many
pgs. of hair-splitting arguments & of abuse,
with the statement in one clause of a single
sentence: as tho' of no importance, that he
had once demonstrated it by experiment!!

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October 4, 1932

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

My dear Bill:

Naturally, I am most beholden to you and I could not refrain from sending you a wire last night. I was not sure from your letter whether you had looked into the Elyot's Castel of Helthe which seems to me to ~~throw~~ some light upon the Naturals. I have before me a photostat of the Huntington copy of the first edition 1539. I believe it is the only copy known, and on the first text page he begins by discussing "Thynge's Naturall" which "be vii in number".

"Elementea	Powers.
Complexions..	Operations and
Humours..	Spirites"
Members..	

A weird conglomeration but the point is that he cites De tuenda Sanitate, and on running down the tract of Galen in the Gesner edition last night, I found ^{that} the ~~will~~ Naturals seem to have been taken directly from Galen although the Galenic text seems not to employ the phrases "Naturalia", "Res Naturales" or anything approaching them. Perhaps I have missed it, but the origin of the term "Natural" is as mysterious as ever. Perhaps some of the members of Dr. Winslow's seminar will be able to enlighten us. Shryock, by the way, will be there as he happens to be in New Haven this week collecting source material for his history of public health in America. You undoubtedly met him when you were in Duke and I am sure you have seen some of his papers in the 'Annals'.

The references in your letter have given me a number of goose chases and thus far I had succeeded in running very few of them to earth. Our library does not possess them and I do not have them myself. I hope my wire provokes you to order Wainwright!

Have you seen the Michigan Facsimile Series no. 12 John Ghesel's The rule of health? It is from a unique copy in the Christ Church library. This was printed by John Lichfield at Oxford, 1631. He talks good common sense and seems not to have worried his head very much about the Naturals. *Also how you looks at Sanctuaries?*

If anything turns up in the seminar, I shall let you know.

Yours ever,

John

*What do you know about the library ed. 9
the Tuenda Sanctuaries?*

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Department of Physiology

October 3, 1932

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

My dear Bill:

Don't you think the little book I am sending you under separate cover uncommonly attractive, and don't you think furthermore that the catalogue of Sir Thomas Browne would look particularly attractive in a similar dress, especially if it were wrapped in an enticing frock from your stylish hand? I am sure it would prove irresistible.

I hope I have not put you to great trouble about the Naturals and the Nonnaturals. The occasion for my haste was a call from Winslow, professor of public health, who asked me to conduct a discussion in his seminar next Tuesday on the history of personal hygiene. He wants me to talk about the influence of the conception of the Naturals and the Nonnaturals, and while I have Burton's book, I am very vague about the origin of the notion itself. I remember that you found something rather exciting in Oxford, but I cannot seem to find any notes on the subject in the catalogue. You will remember that Elyot in the Castle of Helthe makes a good deal of the Naturals and Nonnaturals, but I suppose their origin is Hippocratic orepre-Hippocratic.

I am having great fun with my Warrington paper and I still bless you for the information you sent to Bucarest. Did I tell you that I came away from that august town the proud recipient of a decoration - the ancient Roumanian order of chastity in the second degree! A considerable tribute I think to my private life on the continent.

Yours ever,

John

P.S. I corrected the proof of my Osler Club paper sometime in May and it seems not to have appeared as yet in the Canadian Journal. Have you any idea when they intend to publish it?

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JOHN

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Wainwright, Jeremiah. A mechanical
of the Non-naturals, Lond. 1708.

Ruston, Jno. (Dislop.). York 1738 # 2190

Saturday afternoon
1 Oct. 1932

Dr. J. F. Fulton
Yale Medical School

My dear John,

" NON-NATURALS "

Your telegram arrived at 1, curiously enough just as I was considering whether to order from a catal. ^E WAINWRIGHT (Jeremiah), A mechanical account of the non-naturals: being a brief explication of the changes made in humane bodies, by air, Diet, &c. ... Lond., 1708, 8vo. [also 1707, 1718, 1737]

That is the 1st ref. given under the definition in the great Oxford Dictionary, vi, pt. ii, p. 198, top of col. 1, "B. 1", which you can probably look up. The only book on it here ~~in~~ is John Burton's ("Dr. Slop"), # 2190, some 340 pp. of sensible-looking stuff on the six n-n's, which he defines (P. 27) as "1. Air; 2. Meat and Drink; 3. Exercise and Rest; ~~3~~ 4. Sleep and Waking; 5. Things retain'd, that should be excreted; and too great an Excretion of what should be retain'd; 6. Affections of the Mind." — a ~~very~~ wierd consortium, justifying the quotation from Cowper given by the O.E.D. Burton gives no further explanation of the term, nor any ref., that I can find, to what the "naturals" might be. I tried unsuccessfully to get some more light on the term and its history, when I was cataloguing that book at Oxford. ^{Way} The only way to dig refs. to it out of the Index-Catal., apparently, is to look under the various n-n's — diet, &c.

I get the following out of "Lindenius Renovatus", 1686, no. 7165, subject index in pt. ii, p. 98:—

FABRICIUS (Balthasar), Opusculum physiologicum ... tractans ... sex res ~~non~~ naturales ... Amst., 1629, 8vo.

MARTINEZ (see 1st ref. under Naturales res, attached).

ELLUCHASEM ELIMITAR, Tacuini sanitatis, de sex rebus non-naturalibus ...

Strasburg, 1531, fol. [many other eds., none here]

CARDOSUS (F.R.), De sex rebus n.-n. bus, Fracof., 1620, 8vo.

BRUNFELS (Otto), Tomus Herbarii tertius ... Strasb., 1540, fol., the Appendix of which is listed as containi^{ng}, with dozens of other things a "Tabula Rerum naturalium: F. R. non naturalium: T.R. contra naturam."

LOPIUS (Petrus), De sex rebus non-naturalibus (in verse), Conimbricæ (Coimbra, Portugal), 1614, 4to.

INGOLSTETTERUS (Joh.), Dissertatio de natura naturalium & non naturalium, Lipsiæ, 1589, 8vo.

Watt has 3 refs., to Burton, to Wainwright, and:—

SUTHERLAND (Alex.), Attempts to revive ancient medical doctrines. 1 ... 5. Of non-naturals. 6 ... Lond., 1763, 2 vols. 8vo.

I doubt if the terms come down from antiquity. In the Latin indexes to Hippoc. & Galen they are not to be found, except NATURALIA — if that is the same as the RES NATURALES of the 16-18th cent. writers.

I've failed to find any account of them in modern works of reference.

" NATURALS "

This term, medically and as opposed to the so-called non-naturals, is still a complete mystery to me. The only medical meanings I can gather under noun or adjective in the O.E.D. are genitals and natural faculties of the mind. The latter meaning might possibly be correlated with the ridiculous 6th non-natural????! Ridiculous, that is, as being the only one of the six that ~~is~~ is, naturally, non-natural!

On the attached sheet I have scribbled a few of the 30 refs. under NATURALES RES in "Lindenius ren.", no.7165. Only two of the thirty are here and they throw no light on any medical application of the term, viz. PORTAGG's famous M/agia naturalis, sive de miraculis rerum naturalium, and HELMONT's Ortus medicinae, the tractate (6th in the table) Causae et initia naturalium, no.2929, p.32, translated in the "Works", no.2930, p.27, as chap. iv, Causes and beginnings of Natural things. The meaning here is what we would call natural objects or phenomena. Similarly the refs. under NATURALIA in the Galen index, when it doesn't mean genitals.

Can the terms be Arabic ⁱⁿ origin? Here's light on them at last from the Isagoge of Johannitius. It is translated in Cholmeley's "John of Gaddesden", which I hope is accessible. See pp137 ff. (It is no.6689) "The naturals are seven ... : elements, qualities (commixtiones), humours (compositiones), members, energies, operations and spirits. But some add to these four others: namely, age, colour, figure, and the distinction between male and female." He goes on to explain (medieval fashion) each of these, then the NON-Naturals (P.143), and then the three CONTRA NATURALS "...namely, disease, the cause of disease, and the concomitants or sequels of disease." Johannitius must have got all this from the Greeks, and I dare say it could be distilled out of Galen with a prodigious lot of boiling, ~~if~~ or if we had a medieval ~~if~~ index to him.

I hope what there is to this may be of some use to you. I've had almost as much fun as bewilderment in the search. Fortunately the weather is bad, and there was no great kick from the family, certainly none from me, about this non-natural Saturday afternoon. If your wire hadn't reached me within an hour, apparently, of your sending it, I shouldn't have got it till Monday. Next time you telegraph me on Sat., send it to the house, 428 Sherbrooke St. W.

I gather that poor old H.C. hasn't decided yet to go to Yale. For the ~~love~~ love of Heaven (or rather of McGill), hands off our J.B. By the way, some of your Chittendenian dietologists ought to be able to give you the history of the non-naturals?

I hope you found Lucia perfectly well again. Love to you both

Yrs naturally
Bill

3 Oct. 1932

My dear John,

NATURALS, again.

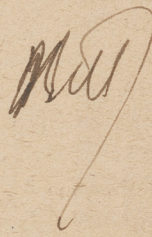
I sent you off a disquisition Sat. night, that should reach you this a.m. I forgot that I had picked up an old ed. of the Eng. trl. of the "Lexicon" of Blancardus (Blakeart) -- The Physical Dictionary, 4th ed., Lond., 1702. On p.263 I find this definition which shows some advance on old Johannitius:-

"Res naturales, Natural things are three; Health, the causes of Health, and its Effects. Others reckon seven, as the Elements, Temperaments, Humours, Spirits, Parts, Faculties, Actions, but Elements and Temperaments belong to natural Philosophy; Humours, Spirits and Parts are reckoned among the Causes of Health, which consist* of a good Temperature and a due Conformation; Faculties and Actions are comprehended under the Effects of Health." (* "consist" sic, ~~query~~ query, for consistg?)

I've looked in several likely old books without finding the term. Evidently the ideas it conveyed were too fanciful for it to persist as did "non-naturals".

Yrs ever,

I got your two good letters, from Rome and Bucharest.



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NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT

September 16, 1932

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

My dear Dr. Francis:

The Osler reprint, "The Way of Life" has come during
Dr. Fulton's absence, and I am sure that he will be very
pleased to have it when he returns the 23rd of this month.

Yours very truly,

Elizabeth S. Colman

Secretary to Dr. Fulton



HOTEL MAJESTIC

(S.A.T.A.)

ROMA

FULTON

1 Sept

1932

Dear Bill -

H., K., V. & I are in Rome
trying to do as Romans, while attending the
Physiological Congress. We saw the Suckers on the
Islands this morning, the hole in roof of the Biblioteca
Vaticana, the Apollo Belvedere, & the ^(H., K., etc. etc.) have have now
gone out to Tivoli

Walter
Sommerstein in a B.O. is a letter from
Hatcher (in vol. 4 Aiken or Ferris) saying that in his

opinion the richest intellectual life of the 18th
Century was to be found in nonconformist
communities such as Warrington, Lichfield etc.
would it be agreeable to send me
the full text of the letter? I shall be
staying over my Warrington paper or sooner
I get back.

I saw Dreyer in Berlin the other day - &
enjoyed a nice time in Stockholm, Upsala &
Copenhagen. I am just off to Athens & Bucharest
Yours ever (H) John

P.S. I will be in New York 22 Sept.

August 25, 1932

Dr. J. F. Fulton,
IX Congres International de Istoria Mediciniei,
Bucuresti II (Rumania)
Str. Stirbei Voda, 86

My dear John:

It was a surprise to hear from you from Oxford as I thought you were not sailing until the end of this month. Fortunately it seems to indicate that Lucie's recovery has progressed well.

We will send another copy to Miss Whitmore of my letter to Thomas about the Ruhrh MS. We are rather mystified at this end about its non-arrival, as we seem to remember having enclosed it.

I am delighted to hear that you are thinking of working up the Warrington influence, and here is what I know about it. There are a good many references in the indexes of the Osler Catalogue and of Cushing's Life. I enclose a copy of W. O.'s notes #986, Malpighi. This volume, and also #7621, Rutherford's (autograph?) Edinburgh lectures, about 1749, both came from the supplementary lot of the Dispensary Library. Under #1296 W. O. notes that Malthus was an Academy boy. #4301-2, two books by John Aikin, were published at Warrington, and I enclose a copy of Fletcher's letter inserted in the latter. #7042, John Ferriar, "Bibliomania", London, 1809, was printed at Warrington.

I send you these data and the following from the second volume of Cushing's Life, in case you want some notes before you have access again to the books. On p. 47, in a letter to H. C., W. O. writes on 13 April 1906, "I am having the books catalogued before making a final statement, as I find there were a great many blanks." This, by the way, would indicate that W. O. got the date of Sawyer's visit wrong in the note to #986. On p. 35, he writes, 17 July 1906, "all sorts of good books and I have been adding some very good ones, a fine old Burton, a Basle Gellen, etc." On p. 72, he writes to Jacobs, 23 Dec. 1906, that he is sailing on the 28th, and hopes to be in time for the presentation of the "Warburg" collection. On pp. 75-6, Cushing gives an account of the formal presentation on 2 Jan. 1907, with an excellent summary of W. O.'s remarks on that occasion, taken from the J. H. H. Bulletin, April 1907, which ought to be a good source of material for you. I find that this is "the Library of a Medical School", of which I enclose an annotated reprint. W. O. presented a 1628 De Motu on the occasion.

Did you know that Fletcher was interested? If not, you had better get in touch with him. When he was in Oxford about 1927 and I reminded him of his letter, he talked to us very interestingly about the ramifications of Warrington and its influence and connections, and said he still had the intention of writing it up some day, if he ever got time.

Dr. J. F. Fulton, August 23, 1932 - 2

I acquired a further interest in Warrington after I came here and learned accidentally that in 1870 a Dr. John Robson of Warrington on his retirement from practice donated a very choice library of about 3000 books, chiefly general literature and archaeological works, to McGill University. In 1908, 83 of these volumes, chiefly medical classics, Galen, Hippocrates, and 18th century works, were transferred to the Medical Library. Nobody could tell me anything about the gift or the circumstances, so I looked up the correspondence. They had a theological professor here at that time, called Carpenter, who left a large collection of ~~shells~~ *shells*. He and Robson had been friends at Warrington and had been instrumental in founding the free library there. Later the town council treated them badly and Robson refused to hand over his books to the town but gave them to McGill on Carpenter's suggestion. At that time we had no properly organized library and apparently no list of the books was ever made, and they can only be identified by the book-plate. I have not succeeded in finding out anything more about Robson, not even the date of his death. About the time I was looking for him I noticed in Mrs. Adami's "J. George Adami", 1930, p. 197, that he (Adami) spoke at the 400th anniversary celebration of Boteler Grammar School at Warrington. I wrote to Mrs. Ad and she kindly sent me the MS. of his remarks. To my disappointment he did not go into the intellectual history of Warrington or its influence, nor was he apparently aware of Robson.

That, I think, is all I know about Warrington, except that I passed through there in 1928 on my last day in England, on my way ~~to~~ *from* Liverpool, to see the Rylands Library. The train stopped at Warrington, but the fog was so thick that I could not even see the railway station.

I hope your visit to Laysin was satisfactory. I spent a wonderful winter day there in my shirt sleeves in 1921.

Love to Klebs if you see him at Bucharest. Sorry to hear about Lady "Sherry", but it is satisfactory to know that the prognosis is good. I wish I were over there with you.

Yours ever,

Drill

MAGDALEN COLLEGE,
OXFORD.

12 August 1932.

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

My dear Bill,

Miss B. // Many thanks for your nice letter of July 29th.
Miss Whitmore writes me that you did not enclose ~~the~~ copy
of the letter you had written to Thomas regarding the Ruhr~~ah~~ MS.

You will be interested, I am sure, to know that I
have just spent the day at Warrington, following the footsteps
of Priestley, visiting the old Academy in which he originally
taught. The building is still in existence and it has become
the Headquarters of the local Historical Society.

I am rather put to it for a subject to speak about in
Baltimore in October, and it has occurred to me that the Warrington
Academy and its influence might lend itself appropriately, in
view of the fact that many of the Warrington books are now at
Baltimore. Will you be good enough to send me, to Bucharest, any
details which you may have concerning the circumstances which led
William Osler to acquire the collection for Baltimore? Have you
any documents relating to the transaction? How many books were
there? Did William Osler buy them outright?

My address in Bucharest will be as follows:
IX Congres International de Istoria Medicinei,
Bucuresti **II** (Rumania)
Str.Stirbei Voda, 86.

I am running out to see Klebs tomorrow, as Lucia's
cousin, Stephen Phillips, is ill, apparently T.B., at Leysin. He

had haemoptycis, out of the blue, a few days ago at Belgrade.

Everything in Oxford is much as it always was and it is a great joy to be here again. Sir Charles is well, but unhappily Lady Sherrington has just been operated on in a nursing home for a large and apparently quite benign ovarian tumour. We are all much relieved to learn of the pathological findings. She is at the Empire Nursing Home, Vincent Square, and will probably be there for at least a month.

With best wishes and love to you both.

Yours ever,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "John".

Jrains

Note on Browne's Sale Catalogue,
acquired August 4th, 1933.

The present copy of Sir Thomas Browne's and Dr. Edward Browne's Sale Catalogue was obtained at Hodgson's Auction in London on Friday, August 4th in Lot 424, which was made up of 3 volumes containing 22 Sale Catalogues covering a period from 1698 - 1760. The auctioneer's description of the Lot was as follows: -

424 "Catalogue of the Library of Dr. Francis Bernard (150 + 88 + 19 pp. = in all about 14,986 lots), 1698, and 21 other catalogues of Sales conducted by Bullord, Curll, P.Varenne, J.Levi, J.vander Linden, J.Langford, and others (Crow, Wick, Goodwin, Sir Thos. Brown, Jos.Ames, and other Libraries), dated between 1698-1760 in 3 vols, 8vo, calx (broken)"

The lot previous to this was also of some interest as it contained Sir Kennelm Digby's Sale Catalogue which was not mentioned (sold to Ellis) by the auctioneer. This lot/was described as follows: -

"423 "EARLY BOOK-AUCTION SALE CATALOGUES - An interesting Collection of 64 Catalogues of Early Book-Auction Sales, conducted by William Cooper, John Bullord, Edward Millington, Nathaniel Rolles, Christopher Hussey, Chr. Bateman, and others, including the Charnock, Mearne, Lauderdale, Cudworth, Scarborough, Britton ("Small-Coal" Man), Richard Davis, and other Libraries or Stocks, dated between 1680-1698 in 4 vols, sm.4to (binding Defct.)"

No mention is made of the provenance of this remarkable collection but all volumes contain the old 18th century book plate of the Royal Society of London, with a familiar motto Nullius in Verba. As the volumes are individually indexed in a modern hand, surprisingly similar to that of - - White, long Chief Clerk of the Royal Society, I suspect that the collection has been recently sold by the Society.

The Browne Catalogue appeared as No.6 in a volume bearing the shelf mark 221.b. and 288.8.12. in recent pencil and it had been labelled in ink of the same period "Catalogues of Book Sales Volume 12". The MS. index, apparently in White's hand, read as follows: -

Vol. 12 Catalogues of Book-Sales.⁸⁰

1. Curll, Edmund . Bibliotheca Wichiana (Sir Cyrill Wich)
London 1709/10.
2. Varenne, P. Gr. Lat. It. & Fr. Books. London (n.d.)
3. Ballard, Thomas Bibliotheca Goodwineana (Thomas Goodwin)
pars 1. London 1710.
4. Levi, James Bibliotheca selecta - London 1711
5. Millington, E. Appendix Bibliothecae Vincentianae -
London 1701.
6. Ballard, Thomas Libraries of Sir Thomas Brown and
Dr. Edward Brown London 17¹⁰/11
7. Curll, Edmund Bibliotheca Cotterelliana (Sir Charles
Cotterell) - London 17¹⁰/11
8. Levi, J. Gr. Lat. It. & Fr. Books - London 170⁵/6
9. Linden, J. van der Bibliotheca Hottoniana (Peter Hotton)
Lugd. Bat. 1709.
10. Langford, - Books and MSS. of Joseph Ames F.R.S. London 1760
As the binding of all the volumes was falling to pieces,

it has seemed desirable to have the Browne Catalogue separately encased and possibly ultimately re-bound. Inasmuch as a facsimile of the Browne Sale Catalogue has been under discussion with Dr. Francis, Dr. Gordon Chalmers, and others (see correspondence in personal file) for a year or more, it does not seem desirable to bind the present copy, as it would be more convenient for the purposes of a facsimile in its unbound state.

Keynes (A Bibliography of Sir Thomas Browne, 1924) and others have pointed out that the only other copies known to be extant are those: (1) of the B.M., and (2) of the Osler Library, the latter having been presented to Osler by Dr. Sieveking.

J.F.F.

July 29, 1932

Dr. John Fulton,
Yale University
School of Medicine,
New Haven, Conn.

My dear John:

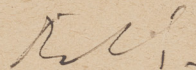
I have been neglecting you, but I have been on a holiday. I just came in today to show some of the English astronomers the Library, and I have been very much rushed.

I enclose you a copy of a letter which I have written to Thomas about the Ruhräh MS.

So sorry to hear about poor Lucia's illness. Give her our love and sympathy. I hope now that she is well on the road to recovery. It was very good of your super-excellent mother-in-law to write to Hilda. That was the letter I mistook for Lucia's.

No more at present. I am dashing off to catch a train.

Yours ever,



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July 14, 1932

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

My dear Bill:

After I wrote you the other day and had posted the letter your nice epistle of the 11th arrived. You are very generous and I shall await your further comments eagerly. Do be sure to let me have any other puristic flaws that you discover. I must confess to a certain fondness for the word 'meticulous' in the sense in which it is commonly used by our journalistic brethren; and even its older connotation is not wholly inappropriate, for ~~a~~ painstaking surgeon should be somewhat timorous and would be if they could focus a high-power microscope at the end of each one of their instruments during manipulation of the tissues!

With best wishes,

Yours ever,

John

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July 12, 1932

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

My dear Bill:

Archie Malloch has just sent me a copy of his paper on W. O. read at the Silver Jubilee celebration of the Academy of Medicine at Toronto. I hadn't appreciated that Archie really had such a light touch. I think his style is constantly improving and I have little wonder that you were pleased with the address. You may recall that you mentioned it sometime ago in one of your letters.

What did you decide about Ruhräh's manuscript? Have you sent any recommendation to Thomas? I believe you have all of my correspondence on the subject with Thomas. I have heard indirectly that Ruhräh is rather impatient as Thomas has kept the manuscript an unconscionable time.

We had a pleasant visit from Wilder Penfield the other day when he came down to do us the honor of inspecting our Laboratory and Hospital with his architect.

I cannot seem to remember whether I have written you about Lucia's second operation. She has had a bad time poor dear, and had to have a laparotomy on June 15th as the trouble which I wrote you about early in June proved to be an extra-uterine pregnancy. She had a rather stormy week, but is now making an excellent recovery and is back again at the house. Mrs. Wheatland came back from Europe and plans to stay with her during August when I go over to Rome (and Copenhagen and Bucharest!). I wish I could persuade you to go with me for I think it would do you good. I am sailing second class on the Bremen August 28th.

Yours ever,

John

July 11, 1932

Dr. J. F. Fulton,
Yale University
School of Medicine,
New Haven, Conn.

My dear John:

I have just received from Thomas a copy of your "Sign of Babinski". I have not had an opportunity to do more than turn the pages yet, but I shall certainly dip into it more deeply, and I notice already that there are some illustrations which will have to be shown to Marian, particularly those of "Yama" on p. 103.

A letter arrived from Lucia for Hilda the other day but I had to forward it because Hilda is at the seaside in New Brunswick. Fortunately she will be back tomorrow and I hope to hear then that Lucia is better.

Best love to you both and to Klebs and any other old friends you may see on the other side.

Yours ever,

P.S. That's a fine paragraph about Physiology and Surgical Technique on p. 140. (*also re intention (6th line)*)

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333 CEDAR STREET
NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT

June 14th, 1932

My dear Bill:

I am so glad you liked the photostat copy of Petty's Advice, 1648. It is really quite a remarkable book, and I had intended to indicate that the photostat was made from the Yale copy, which was acquired only a few months ago from Stephen Hunt of Southborough, Kent (Cat. 26, 1931, Item 169a). £10/-/-

I should imagine that it is a very rare book. Tinker spotted it in Hunt's catalogue and asked me whether I knew anything about it. I replied that I should buy it if he didn't!

My summer plans are a little nebulous. I had intended to sail at the end of July on the "Bremen", but Lucia's illness has rather altered the complexion of things and it is just possible that I may sail with her somewhat earlier in July. Her family leave today on the "Europa", and it is her present intention to join them as soon as she feels able. I expect to be in Copenhagen at the end of August for the Psychological Congress, and in Rome the first week of September for the Physiological. I have been flirting with the idea of going also to Bucharest (September 10th), but I won't go unless Klebs or H.C. decides to accompany me.

I haven't sent the Boyle yet but I will in a few days.

Yours ever,



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

June 11, 1932

Dr. J. F. Fulton,
Yale University
School of Medicine,
New Haven, Conn.

Dear John:

Right glad am I to hear that you are still in the land of the living, and I hope you are not too badly battered. I have not seen Penfield, but I had ~~two~~ lurid and variegated accounts of the accident from his secretary and his houseman.

Two days ago a very agreeable surprise arrived, with a note from your secretary, in the shape of Petty's Advice, 1848. It is a really beautiful ~~s~~ photostat copy. What an interesting work it is! I have read the proposal for his nosocomium, quite after W. O.'s own heart. Looking up the bibliography in Hall, #3653, I find that W.O. has put his mark opposite the entry, apparently as a desideratum.

de
I suppose the copy from which the photostat is made is in the Yale library. How rare is the original?

Do not forget to tell me what your summer plans are. I expect a visit from Archie at the end of this week. He gave a fine little address on Osler, with a lot of good things in it, at Toronto recently, and is repeating it at a pediatric meeting here.

Yours ever,

Rid-

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NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT

June 8, 1932

Dear Bill:

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I shall see that ~~six~~ volume edition of Boyle goes off to you within a few days. Wilder Penfield will tell you what happened to us last night on the Atlantic City Express. It was a rather harrowing experience and we were glad to be out of it. I shall write you more anon. I am glad that you and Mackall have ~~est~~ablished epistolary relations!

Yours ever,

Jon

Also order Off. Pres. MacPike's "Comp. & Haller"

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NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT

June 7th, 1932

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

My dear Dr. Francis:

Dr. Fulton has asked me to send you this bound negative photostat
of The advice of W. P. to Mr. Samuel Hartlib, London, 1648.

Yours very truly,

Alice Whitmore
Secretary to Dr. Fulton

June 6, 1932

Dr. J. F. Fulton,
Yale University
School of Medicine,
New Haven, Conn.

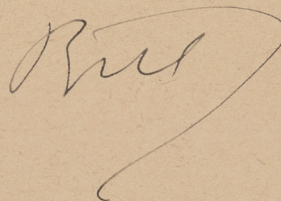
Dear John:

We will gladly pay the freight on the six volume edition of Boyle's Works, 1772. It is very good of you to offer it, and I am very grateful for your comments on Cleverdon's list.

I hope some time to meet Donley. I have read some of his papers. Did I tell you I was again on epistolary relations with Mackall. It seems he had given me up as a bad job for sometime.

Whither away this summer, and when?

Yours ever

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Rufus", with a long, sweeping underline that extends to the right.

This leaves me in doubt whether the
two vols, 1675, 1694 are the same?

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W.H.F.

May 18th, 1932

Dear Bill:

(You very special [as H.M. would say])

I am delighted to have the information concerning
the ascription of Reason and religion to John Locke.
That had escaped me. I have no idea what the authority
of the British Museum[†] is, and if you propose to write
them, will you also ask what their authority is for
the ascription of Protestant and papist to Boyle.

Dr. Cushing did not give me the impression that
he was annoyed over the fact that the C.M.A.J. had
refused to accept his paper. He rather expected it,
as it will occupy nearly 100 pages of S.G. & O. and
contains 50 or 60 illustrations.

Nothing is settled as to future plans. A good
deal turns upon the decision of our own Professor of
Surgery^{*}, who has been asked to fill Cutler's chair.
I will let you know as soon as I have any information.

Yours ever,

John

† I think it would be a kindness to call
attention to the omission with
has Ref. in view of the forthcoming
catalogue

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

* Sam Harvey; if Sam goes H.C.

will probably come here & turn
the surgical show for a few years;
if Sam stays I think H.C. will
go on procrastinating till Jan 1933.

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June 3, 1932

Dear Bill:

Many thanks for your ⁶Raelaisian communication of the 30th and for the note of June 1st. I fancy that I should be the one who would be bothered by book sellers attempting to fill lacunae and I regret that they are approaching you. The prices of Cleverdon's items seem extremely dear on an average, ~~and~~ nearly three times the figures that I have had to pay for my copies. If you look at Sotheran's last catalogue (832), you will find quite a large number of Boyle's at more reasonable prices. The 'Cosmicall Qualities', Oxford: 1671 would perhaps be a good investment at £3-10, for it is important and rare, though it generally sells for about one guinea.

If you will pay the freight I shall present you with a copy of the six volume edition of ~~his~~ ^{Boyle's} works of 1772. I bought one in Oxford when I had another set in storage in Boston. The copy which I propose to donate is sound apart from one broken back. Eight guineas is a preposterous price anyway as they generally sell for about £3-10 or 4.

I acted as post-prandial orator in Providence last night and I had a delightful afternoon there making a ^{graphical} bibliophile tour with John Donley, a classical scholar and neurologist. He took me to the John Carter Brown Library and the Ann Mary Brown Memorial. There were several very charming librarians (female) who, one and all, blushed to the roots of their hair when I asked them whether they knew

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Leonard Mackall: One of them inadvertently uttered,
"What a man".

With best wishes,

Yours ever,

John

H.C. a bold person
letter Fulton 7.XI.31
also with Elliott.

17 May, 1932

Dr. J. F. Fulton,
School of Medicine,
Yale University,
New Haven, Conn.

Dear John:

Last autumn (lacking your Bibliography) I got from Sexton's Catal. #16 items 655 and 656, for two guineas each. The latter was the "High Veneration", 1685, but the former, attributed to Boyle, in square brackets, has the following title:

"Reason and Religion: in some useful reflections on
the most eminent hypotheses concerning the first
principles, and nature of things, with advice suitable
to the subject and seasonable for these times".
12mo., Lond., Rogers, 1694.

I gather from entry #122 of the Bibliography that this is not the same work as "Some Considerations about the Reconcilableness", 1675. There is no "By T.E." and no "Resurrection" tract appended. The text begins, "All our Discourses of God..." and ends, p. 135, with "to whom be Glory and Obedience for ever and ever, Amen".

It is entered as anonymous in the Bodleian printed catal., and I was about to hurl it back indignantly at Sexton, but fortunately looked in the B. M. Catal. first. There, under "Reason", it is ascribed to [John Locke]! This ought to be sufficient authority, but it is curious that there is no cross-reference to it in the B. M. Catal. or its Supplement under "Locke".

I wonder if it is worth while bothering them at the B. M. for their authority, or to call their attention to the omission of the cross-reference.

I heard in a roundabout way that H. C. had been annoyed at the refusal of the C.M.A.J. to accept his paper. It is too bad, but it is only a monthly, and there is so much that they must publish, and this would have occupied a whole issue. Is there anything definitive about his plans? I still hear contradictory rumours.

All well here. Love to you both.

As ever,

Bill

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May 2, 1932

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

My dear Bill:

How nice of you to write me about the Bibliography. I feared that it might be rather a nightmare to you; at least, it should bring up before you the apparition of a good deal of red ink, and the galley pages containing it have been carefully collected and bound, and will therefore be preserved as a monument to your industry and charity!

I am so glad you liked the book in its final form. I have had amusing letters from England about it; it appears that Geoffrey Keynes read a paper on Boyle to the Osler Club on Friday evening, April 15th, out at his house on Arkwright Road. Quite by chance, the Bibliography was circulated on the 14th, so that most of the members of the Club had their copies in time for Geoffrey's paper. He is publishing it in the Barts Journal, and I am consumed with curiosity to learn what he said! Have you seen the second edition of his bibliography of Donne? I was about to say that it is beautifully 'done', but I was afraid you would accuse me of being an idle punster. In all events he has very boldly placed a miniature of the worthy Dean of St. Paul's on the title-page. The effect is altogether very pleasing. A copy of it arrived last Monday when Chapman and Milford were here and they were a bit indignant that the Cambridge Press should have been so bold and so successful.

I have just come back from a meeting of the Federation of Biological Sciences in Philadelphia. It was a good meeting but not as nice as the one at Montreal last year. Three days of continuous talk and no sleep rather takes it out of one.

I had never heard of Theophrastus on Stones. Thank you so much for letting me know about it, and be sure to send me the other annotation if you find it.

With best wishes and warmest thanks,

Yours ever,

John

April 30, 1932

Dr. J. P. Fulton,
School of Medicine,
Yale University,
New Haven, Conn.

My dear John:

Many congratulations! Three copies of The Hon. Robert Boyle have arrived recently, namely, the number of the O.B.S. and the two separates with your compliments, one of which goes into the library and the other home with me. It is in every way a magnificent piece of work and a monument to your scholarship, as well as to your industry. I have been reading again the introductions to the various works. They tell exactly what one wants to know and tell it in very pleasing fashion. It is a fine example of humanizing bibliography.

So far I have noticed only two minor slips: One in the last line on p. 67. Theophrastus on Stones (Osler #266) has a gooddddeal on gems and, of course, precedes, and is much more scientific than, Pliny. The other minor slip I cannot find at present but I have a note^{give} at home.

I should like to have references to any interesting reviews. There may be few people who can appreciate a work like this but, in the Oslerian phrase, ^{it} it is a great "float through posterity".

Well done!

Yours ever,

Bill

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April 22nd, 1932

Dear Bill:

Many thanks for your letter of the 20th. I am glad that the paper on Bernard will appear in June, and I hope you will say that I shall be glad to have the proof by the first of May.

Your reference to W.O.'s visit to Paris in '74 is interesting, and I shall see that an appropriate change is made in the manuscript.

How are you getting on with the Ruhr^h manuscript? Isn't it nice about Wilder Penfield's grant from the Rockefeller. We are all so pleased.

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

Yours ever,

John

April 20, 1932

Dr. John Fulton,
School of Medicine,
Yale University,
New Haven, Conn.

Dear John:

Dr. Macdermot, the Assistant Editor of the C. M. A. Journal, told me today that they could not publish your paper before June, but that he would send it in and get it into proof for you the beginning of May; also, that they had had to refuse Harvey Cushing's Balfour Lecture on account of its enormous length.

? Am I deceived and deceiving you about the date of W. O.'s first visit to Paris? In looking up something else I have just noticed a letter to my old aunt, Janette Osler dated Vienna, Mar. 22, 1874³, on p. 115 of Cushing, Vol. I. In this, he says "I trust this week to begin my homeward progress and will probably get as far as Paris by Saturday" etc. As H. C. says nothing further about Paris but only that "early in April he returned to London" (p. 117), probably there is no reference to a Paris visit in W.O.'s note-books, but I will verify that and let you know.

All goes well here. Spring arrived today.

Yours ever

Bill

Fulton

18th April, 1932

Dr. H. E. Macdermot,
Canadian Medical Association,
McGill University

Dear Mac:

Will you please give me a hint on how to answer
the second paragraph of the enclosed letter from Dr. Fulton about
his paper.

Yesterday I enjoyed reading in the McGill News
your Montreal General article and ^{Annals} life of Lord Strathcona.

Yours sincerely,

W.H.G.

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April 14th, 1932

Dear Bill:

Many thanks for your letter of the 12th and for returning Franklin's letter. I am glad that the Ruhrh manuscript has reached you safely. Let me know what you think of it.

If you will go off to the country and leave your wife in the hands of the paper-hangers, you deserve to have your room painted pink!

Yours sincerely,

John

13 April, 1932

Dr. John P. Fulton,
School of Medicine,
Yale University,
New Haven, Conn.

My dear John:

In my letter of yesterday I forgot to mention that I had just finished with the photostats, 71 half sheets, of negatives and of positives, of Fracastor's poem 1530. I have supplied the page numbers and the signatures on the back of each photo. They have gone back to Mr. Thompson, your friend the photographer, to be forwarded to you. I think they have been sent off today, and you will be billed by the University for something like \$20.

Yours ever,

W. F.

Fulton

April 12, 1932

Dr. H. F. Macdermot,
Canadian Medical Association,
Medical Bldg.,
McGill University.

Dear Mac:

Concerning Dr. Fulton's paper about which you consulted me the other day, I have just had a letter from him in which he says he is thinking about that abrupt ending and will either send us another paragraph to insert or will insert it himself in the proofs.

Also, if the paper has not gone to the printers he wants me to arrange to insert a reference to the opening quotation from Osler which we could not find when he was here. So would you please add after Osler's name "Man's Redemption of Man", London, 1910, p. 22.

Yours sincerely,

L. W. F.

April 12, 1932

Dr. J. F. Fulton,
School of Medicine,
Yale University,
New Haven, Conn.

Dear John:

Thanks for your good letter of April 8th with the Franklin enclosure. Bright lad that. He evidently knows his Osler. I will arrange to put the reference into the paper.

So that's what Dr. Martin was busy collecting for at the dinner! He is a great one for thoughtful deeds like that.

The Ruhrh M3. arrived yesterday but I have not had a chance to get at it yet. I shall not look at your criticism until I have made up my own mind about it.

I am beginning to recover from the flu, thank you. It was not Oslerian wisdom that sent me to the country at all. It was Hilda, who saw a chance to get rid of the two of us while the painters were in. I shall not leave her in such company again. She seized the opportunity to repaper my room pink. *etc.*

I am returning herewith Franklin's letter of March 28. Many thanks for letting me have it.

With love to you both.

Yours ever,

W.C.

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April 8, 1932

My dear Bill:

I am enclosing a letter which I have just had from Alfred Franklin concerning the quotation which I used on the first page of my Bernard manuscript. If you are still able to do so, would you add the appropriate source after the quotation? If the manuscript is already in the hands of the printer, I shall be able to do it when they send me proof. I am not quite sure how one should refer to it. Would the following do?

Life 11, 220

"Osler, unpublished MS. Lessons of Greek Medicine."

I had a very charming letter from Dean Martin in which he enclosed a check for \$40 to cover my traveling expenses to Montreal. It was a very gracious gesture on his part, and I deeply appreciated it. If you have occasion to see him, I hope you will tell him how very greatly touched by this and by his letter I was.

I hope you have thrown off all the effects of the 'flu'.

Yours ever,

John

Your nice letter of the 7th has just come. The ending of the Bernard paper is alright. I think I can fix it by adding a sentence or two in proof. Anyway I shall think it over, & if I have any suggestion I shall pass them on at once. I am sending the Osler Materials of Reberich, with

my comments in a sep envelop with you will not be prejudiced to them

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April 8th, 1932

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

Dear Bill:

I am including with this letter the manuscript of Ruhrh's life of W.O. Since you have asked me for my comments on the materials, I am enclosing them in a sealed envelope, which it would probably be better for you to read after you have looked at the manuscript.

Your nice letter of April 7th came after I had written you this morning. I am so glad to hear that you have been off in the country and had missed the painters and paperers. I assume this is a little wisdom that you have acquired from being W.O.'s nephew!

Yours ever,

John Dutton

April 7, 1932

Dr. John Fulton,
School of Medicine,
Yale University,
New Haven, Conn.

My dear John:

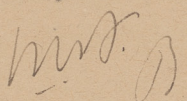
Thanks for yours of the 30th. Marian and I had five days up in the hills, she skiing and I sitting in the sunshine and snow asleep and getting sunburned. Meanwhile Hilda recovered at home and entertained painters and wall-paper men. I simply cannot get enough sleep.

The Assistant Editor of the C.M.A. Journal was in just now about your paper. The winding up paragraph at the top of p. 15 is worrying him, the one that reads as follows:

'This new development in physiology allows us to approach the future with fresh enthusiasm; and as time goes on I think it becomes increasingly evident that Claude Bernard was a man who saw into the far remote future of Biology and Medicine'.

He says this is in the nature of an abrupt anti-climax, as there has been no mention of Bernard for some time before. He suggests that, if it is necessary to bring in Bernard again at the end, it should be done in a separate paragraph and a little less abruptly. I do not know what to suggest about it but I told him I would ask you.

Yours ever,



P.S. I have just answered Thomas, your publisher friend, that I shall be glad to look over Kuhrah's Osler material which you have at present. so I expect you will have a request from him to send it on to me. I shall be glad to have your opinion with the material.

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March 30, 1932

My dear Bill:

I am much distressed to learn that you came down with 'flu' immediately after we left that day at lunch. I fear you will look upon us a devastating guests! In all events, I hope you are now back on your feet and that Hilda has not been badly knocked out by the same germ. Do give her our sincerest sympathy and try yourself to take life easy for a week, because there is always a nasty hangover from these filterable *viruses*. We have both been disgracefully well, and much stimulated by our week-end in Montreal. At the moment I am agonizing over some biographies for the D.A.B. for which the editor has been pursuing me and sending wires and what-nots. Some day I shall learn not to get involved in these things!

With best wishes, and love from us both,

Yours ever,

John

27 Mar. 1932.

My dear John,

Thanks for your appreciative letter of the 22nd. I'll see about the Fracastor and carry out your wishes about the MS. of the Bernard, when I manage to get back to the Library. I haven't seen the place since we left it together a week ago today.

I've had a nice note from Franc I., who thinks I must have had myself well in hand that Sunday afternoon, but in fact I felt all right (except that I couldn't smoke) until about five minutes after you had all gone, when I started to shiver and shake and my temp. shot up to 103. The real old flu. I've been up a bit yesterday and today, but poor Hilda is down with it now, which is much more complicating. Fortunately someone has whisked Marian off to spend this fine Easter Sunday in the country.

Love to you both. Come again soon.

Yours ever,

Bill

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March 22nd, 1932

My dear Bill:

This is just a line to tell you that we arrived safely yesterday morning, and alighted blithely from the train at about 5:30! I would have written you yesterday but I thought it was perhaps wiser to have a night's sleep first. You and Hilda were kindness itself, and I only regret that the complications incident to dining and lecturing precluded our seeing more of you. The sight of the Library and you in it is one of the most gratifying things that I know, and it always warms my heart to be there. I hope you will convey my thanks to that nice fellow who fixed my lantern slide, and when he has a little time on his hands perhaps he could make a double photostat of the original edition of Fracastor's poem.

I am writing this morning to Blakiston's to find out whether they can give me a copy of the third edition of Aequanimitas. I am so pleased to know that it has been done again and that the new issue has had the benefit of your scholarly corrections.

If the manuscript of "Claude Bernard" has not yet gone in to the Journal, will you restore the sentence referring to Keller's experiments on gastric ulcer, on the last page. I had taken it out because I was not sure about Keller's publication, but I have now had word from him that the preliminary note has gone off under the title which I enclose, and this will have to be included in the bibliography. Do urge upon the

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Editor the desirability of including titles in the bibliographies of all historical papers. The mere citation of journal in a historical paper is often exceedingly annoying, and I should be most unhappy if he omitted the titles.

With best wishes,

Yours ever,

John

As Dr. Fulton is not here I am taking the liberty of sending this off to you without his signature.

Elizabeth S. Colman
Secretary.

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March 16, 1932

My dear Bill:

Many thanks for your nice letter of March 15th, about the relations between W.O. and Bernard. I shall be able to make use of the reference to the unsigned review which seems to me very significant. I am glad that you put me right about his not visiting Paris during his first trip abroad in 1872-74. I had confused the two trips.

Sigerist is here with his wife and they are both most enthusiastic over all that they have seen, and I gather that they have made their decision. I am going down to New York tomorrow night to put Mother on the train and Lucia and I shall be catching the "Montrealer" an hour or so later.

We shall be delighted to lunch with you on Sunday. We expect to return Sunday evening as I must be here for work on Monday.

With love from us both,

Yours ever,

March 15, 1932

Dr. John P. Fulton,
School of Medicine,
Yale University

Dear John:

*1. Perhaps, -
elucidation*

I got your postcard this morning and have been looking for anything connecting W.O. with Bernard. I do not think he ever saw him. At any rate I can find nothing to indicate that he did. Amongst other things I have gone through two sets of student's notes from W.O.'s lectures in Physiology, in both of which there is a mere mention of Bernard in connection with glycogen. He is mentioned twice in the Canadian Medical and Surgical Journal 1878-9, first in a review, possibly by W.O., "... to Bernard ^{Ris} due the merit of first applying the principle of the reaction of drugs in the ~~condition~~ of physiological facts"; secondly, in a note on the election of Brown-Séquard as Bernard's successor. I imagine that if W.O. had come personally under Bernard's influence W.O. would have been likely to write something about him at that time.

We are all looking forward to seeing you on Friday and take it for granted that you are staying until Sunday evening, and are coming to lunch with us on Sunday.

Love to Lucia and au revoir

W.F.

P.S. I don't think he got to Paris on his first trip abroad, 1872-4; and the next time he was over, when he was in Paris in 1878, Bernard was dead.

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March 14, 1932

My dear Bill:

I can't seem to remember whether I have written you that we expect to be arriving in Montreal Friday morning at Wilder Penfield's, where we are having breakfast with him, at 8:35. We shall be coming down to the Library immediately afterwards and a little later in the morning I am going over to see Wilder operate. It seems that I am giving a paper before his neurological group at 3:30, Friday afternoon, on the evolution of primates!

Apart from this we have no engagements, except that John Beattie has asked me to lunch with him on Saturday. I have told him to get in touch with you and Wilder Penfield first, because I don't want to get things twisted.

I am having a dreadful time trying to decide what to say Saturday night. Would that I had your gift of language and ^{that might} light touch which you place so happily onto anything that you write.

Sigerist arrives with Mrs. Sigerist on Wednesday morning and leaves for Boston Thursday night, and we are leaving for New York ^{that night} to put Mother on the train for St. Paul. This means that I shall be paralyzed from Wednesday morning until Thursday night, and my Osler Society paper is not yet written. I may take a room at the Taft for the next two days and see what can be done about it.!!

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Franc Ingraham and Martha are also coming to Montreal over the week-end, and I am wondering whether an invitation might be 'wangled' for Franc for the dinner Saturday night. I mentioned this to John Beattie, but I charge you not to do anything about it if it is going to make things awkward.

With best wishes, and love to Hilda,

Yours ever,

John

16th Reg A -

Write to Petrie Oles Soc.
also write to J.F. (M.D.) that
arranged for F.I. to come
to the dinner.

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February 22, 1932

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

My dear Bill:

Whoopee! Your letter of February 8th, arrived on Saturday on February 20th, with a Montreal postmark of February 18th!! And this morning, the 200th anniversary of Washington's birth, I have yours of the 20th, which makes me wonder whether my monograph on the primates should be dedicated to the primate of all England, for it was there that primates were first discovered.

I have no reprint of my account in the Yale University Library Gazette, but I am sending you an extra copy in case it will be of any use.

Lucia and I are looking forward to coming up to Montreal on the 19th, although I have not yet settled on a subject for the paper. I have been too much involved in the cortex and in Sarah McNutt's paper in the American Journal of Medical Sciences for 1885 which W.O. refers to in his monograph on cerebral diplegia in children. I am reproducing W.O.'s figure showing the lateral deviation of the toes because this is precisely what happens in the chimpanzee following bilateral removal of the foot area. It is a very exciting story.

Yours ever,

John

*tell him.
arrived with
this letter.*

*also that my letter
of Feb 18th was postmarked
that day.*

20 Feb., 1932

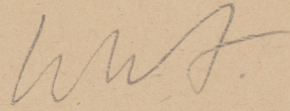
My dear John,

GOOSH ! The casual way you remark that a book on cortical dominance in the primates goes off this week makes me wonder what will come off next week. I suppose this is a product of your simian palace and not a study of your fellow-Fellow of Magdalen, Cosmo Cantuar. whom I met the Sunday evening you dined me there, and of his colleague of York??

Penfield telephoned me about your promised visit and said he would ask you and Lucia to stay with them. I only wish we F.s had accommodation for you.

Love to you both

Ever yours

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'W.H.F.', is written below the typed signature line.

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February 16, 1932

My dear Bill:

Many thanks for your "Croone-ing" letter! I am just finishing my book on the evolution of cortical dominance in the primates which goes off the end of this week.

I had no idea that Croone was united so long with Willis and so frequently!

Yours,

John

"Cosmo Cantuar."

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February 8, 1932

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

My dear Bill:

I have just had your letter of the 29th on returning from St. Paul. Father was ill for only a few days, and I was just too late. For a man who had practised for 52 years and had seen 30 patients in his office a few days before the end, it was much the best way to go, and I am thankful that he was spared the lingering illness which a carcinoma of the bladder might have caused. I brought Mother back to New Haven with me to stay for a month, as I think the change will help.

I had not appreciated that Croone's De Ratione had also found its way into the Geneva edition. The note to which you refer, - and which I should disclaim had it come from a lesser authority on my handwriting than you, - should undoubtedly have read 1667, for this was the date of the so called second edition, published by Commelinum of Amsterdam.

The only copy I know of of the Cerebri Anatome of Willis with the De Ratione of Croone's appended, is in the Boston Medical Library. I have several times seen it in catalogues but have never succeeded in procuring it.

Is the 19th all right for the meeting of the Osler Society?

Yours ever,

John

See Hunterian.

February 8, 1932

Dr. J. F. Fulton,
Dept. of Physiology,
333 Cedar St.,
New Haven, Conn.

Dear John:

Many thanks for yours of Jan. 30, and to Miss Whitmore for hers of Feb. 1. I am so sorry to hear about your father. I believe he is a very old man and this must be very serious.

At the meeting on the 2nd, the Osler Society lads were very pleased to hear that you would come, and they have adopted the 19th of March as the date for the dinner provided that the hotel, the Ritz-Carlton, where they usually have it, can accommodate them on that day. I will let you know definitely later.

It is also a joy to see that you write we will come up. So we shall have Lucia here too. I am afraid we cannot ask her to the Osler Dinner. The Society are a most un-Oslerian bunch of misthoughtgenists. *

I hope there are reprints of your Oslerian account of the Exhibit which I have just read in the Y.U.L. Gazette? Evidently that modest "One assistant to the Keeper of Rare Books" is a good primarian guide.

Love to you both.

Yours ever,

Full

* I'm told that
this is an address
by word! I
dictated mis-
genists!

12 Feb., 1932.

My dear John,

My sympathy to you and your good mother -- I remember her in Oxford -- on the loss of your father. In conversation about you last year Dr. Burch gave me a fine eulogy of the old man.

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I have just heard from the committee that March 19th has been definitely arranged for the Osler dinner.

Your note in our Croone-- the "J. F." is yours, if I could not swear to the rest of the handwriting -- is not so undoubtedly wrong as you say it is in yours of the 8th. Look in the Index Catal., ser.1, XVI, p.470, and you'll find they have no less than 3 Amsterdam reprints of Willis's Cerebri Anatome, all of them, presumably, with the De Ratione appended, viz.:

"24°" Commelinus, 1664, definitely with De R.

"16°" G. Schagen, 1666, with a second pagination of 37 pp., which surely must be the De R., tho' they have not listed this or the above under Croone.

"24°" Commelinus, 1667, with no mention of an accessit, but if you turn to Croone, you find this ed. of the De R. described (wrongly?? ~~as~~ ~~as~~) as "Bound with" the Willis.

Eds. of both works, 12mo., Amst., 1676, are entered separately, under Willis and under Croone, without any indication of (1) the De R. being anon., (2) its being incorporated or issued with, or mentioned on the t.-p. of the Cer. Anat., or (3) name of publisher, in the Hunterian Catal.

Then there are the the 2 eds. of De R., which I mentioned in my former letter as incorporated (preceded by an editorial note to the effect that Willis had never, apparently, ~~XX~~ denied the authorship) in the Opera Omnia of W., 4to., Geneva, 1688 de Tournes, 1680 (which I recently collated) and 1695 (the contents of which are set out in the Index Cat., loc.cit.). Probably some of the 5 other eds. of the Opera, listed but not analysed there, contain it, but unfortunately it is not in the translation, Practice of Physick, 1684, which we have.

That makes 7 pretty definite eds. of Croone, all of them, except the original London 4to., ¹⁶⁶⁴ more or less associated with Willis.

I gather from the popularity of Rudy on the radio that I need not apologize to a Yale professor for all this Croone-ing!

Love to you & yours

As ever

Will

WF/WF - my own tapping
on my new Noiseler Portable!

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Index under CROONE, Wm. See Fulton, 12.ii.32

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February 1st, 1932

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

My dear Dr. Francis:

The illness of Dr. Fulton's father made it necessary for him to leave for St. Paul last night. I believe, however, that the information you desire for the meeting February 2nd was contained in his letter to you of January 30th, i.e., that March 19th would seem to be the best date, and that possibly the suggestion of Claude Bernard is a good one. I am forwarding your letter of the 29th to Dr. Fulton today.

Yours very truly,

Alice Whitwell
Secretary to Dr. Fulton

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January 30, 1932

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

Dear Bill:

Many thanks for your letter of January 28th (typewritten). I have just had word that the meeting of the Federation of Biological Societies occurs in Philadelphia on the 27th-30th of March, so that probably the best date would be March 19th. I am a little troubled by the thought of having to get up something new, but possibly John Beattie's suggestion of Claude Bernard is a good one. I have all of his works including his Thèse de Paris, and I could make theses do the talking. Whether it would be possible to discuss his influence on experimental medicine is another thing. Let me think it over for a few days and I shall write you again. If the 19th is suitable, we will come up on the Montrealer Friday night, March 18th.

Once more I am most grateful to you for criticism of the manuscript. Your suggestions, as usual, are very much to the point and I am glad you brought up the matter of commenting on the several imprints of the various Bibliothecae. I have compared all of the imprints recorded in the B.O., and in the Surgeon-General's catalogue. I am adding a note as to the variants.

I have had rather disturbing news concerning Father's health which may mean that I shall have to go out to St. Paul any day. He has had an acute haemorrhage from the bladder, cause unknown.

With best wishes,

Yours ever,

John

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28 Jan., 1932

Dear John,

Sorry to have kept your paper on the prodigious Haller so long. It is splendid, and I have nothing to criticise, except its brevity.

Delighted to hear that you are willing to come to the Osler Soc. dinner. The speech shouldn't bother an old hand like you. Read or talk on anything connected with med. hist or literature for 20 min. or half an hour, one of the subjects, for instance that you've been writing on lately, A. v. H., or the humanists. It will all be new to the boys. John Beattie wants you to talk on Claude Bernard & ~~the~~ his influence on experimental medicine. That would be fine, and I've no doubt you know enough about it already to stuff a dictaphone, without much digging.

So, let me tell the lads that you will come. And name your day.

Yours ever,

W.H.D.

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January 20th, 1932

My dear Bill:

I made a number of minor changes in the Haller manuscript yesterday going up on the train, and I have just discovered that the Bibliotheca Osleriana was listed as of two volumes!! My copy is bound this way, and I have of course changed the reference. The paper seemed to go off very well and it stirred H.C. into fifteen minutes of reminiscences which were most entertaining and well worth the trip to Boston!

I delivered several more orations coming down in the lower berth, and when I opened my morning mail and found your charming suggestion that I address the Montreal Osler Society I had rather mixed feelings. These things always mean much work, and I have exhausted my repertoire. I can't disguise the fact that a trip to Montreal would be most alluring, especially because it would mean a visit with you, but what on earth could I talk about? I am waiting to find out when the meeting of the Physiological Society occurs. I think it might conflict with the 26th, but the 19th may be possible. Before committing myself, however, I would like to hear more from you as to a suitable subject!

My sympathy for the pup. Too bad about the eczema but I am sure you did the right thing. Judging from our recent experiences it is easier to make a new pup. Diana celebrated New Year's with seven!

• Yours ever,

John

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January 19, 1932

My dear Bill:

Once more I venture to send you a manuscript! This time I am dealing with a subject * to which you have contributed; in fact, the humanistic movement in bibliography owes much more to you than you would be willing to admit and certainly more than most people realize.

I am just off to Boston,

Yours ever,

John

Love to Hilda & Missie

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January 6th, 1932

My dear Bill:

I am most beholden to you for your generous comments about the paper on Boyle and I can assure you that I am infinitely relieved to have it receive your commendation. Judgment concerning one's own work is sometimes very warped and I am extremely timid about things of this character. If you really think it wise to include the three first paragraphs I shall do so unless Sarton wants them omitted. I have adopted your various suggestions and I shall see to it that they are transferred to the top copy!

The paragraph on page 15 from the first edition of The Spring and Weight of the Air was correctly transcribed. In the third edition there is no 's' in 'proscribe'. Patterson has quoted virtually the same passage in Isis.

The Index Librorum Prohibitorum has been giving me a good deal of trouble. It appears that the first printed Index with the sanction of the papacy appeared in Rome in 1559 under the title Index Auctorum, et Librorum, qui ab Officio Sanctæ Rom. et Universalis Inquisitionis caveri ab omnibus. Before that time local indexes had been published in various countries but they had no official sanction. Heinrich Reusch is the chief authority.

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He has published two books, one Die Indices Librorum Prohibitorum des 16. Jahrhundert, 1886, and the Index der Verbotenen Bücher (2 vols.), 1885. Among other things I find that the statement in the Bibliotheca Osleriana that Copernicus was taken off the Index in 1822 is not quite correct, because the revised Index did not actually appear until 1835 (Reusch, Heinrich. Index der Verbotenen Bücher, ii, 396)!

I am most unhappy to hear of your accident and your mental perturbation over the meeting of the curators. I wish I had known that the meeting was about to occur, for no one is in a better position than I am to testify to your industry and to the immense assistance which you have been able to offer to needy authors. The intimation that you are a dilatory correspondent is nonsense. I quite agree with you that Mackall answers only one letter in three, and when he is separated from his typewriter the information contained is as good as lost.

We had a delightful visit in St. Paul and I was happy to find Mother and Father both in excellent health. Popsy and Sigerist were never in better form, and the joint session with the Historical Association was really most successful. Popsy described the International Congress of the History of Medicine. He dwelt at some length on the dining arrangements for the Congress and stimulated gastric secretion as well as the intellect. I was much entertained by the Soviet representation, which issued a book containing their numerous contributions on the morning of the meeting. Darwinism is useless because its author was reared under the capitalistic system, etc. etc.

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There seems to be no secret that Hopkins has made a definite offer to Sigerist to take Popsy's chair. At least Weed wrote me a long letter about it yesterday and I heard it and discussed it at some length in whispers out in Minneapolis. Sigerist is immensely pleased and is likely to come since the financial crisis in Germany has utterly paralyzed the Leipzig Institute.

What is your feeling concerning the future of the Surgeon General's Library? As you probably know, there is a movement to attach it to the Library of Congress and another to move it out to the Walter Reed Hospital. The former change would take it out of the Army; the latter would keep it under its jurisdiction. Feeling is apparently running pretty high, and I am inclined to think that even though the present personnel is rather unexciting we ought to allow the Army to continue.

With love to Hilda and Maisie,

Yours ever,

John

P.S. I have just had a letter from Archie in which he writes as follows: "Bill is doing some excellent bibliographical work for people, the worth of which is not realized at Montreal. I thought he had an assistant for a few hours a day, but find this is untrue, so urged that he have more help with the filing of his correspondence. Then more life should be put into the place and the current magazines of the history of medicine should be in that room, I think. I feel that Sir William desired the Library to grow."

and 8th.