

Feb. 23, 1931

Dr. Harvey Cushing,
721 Huntington Avenue,
B o s t o n, 17, Mass.

My dear Harvey:

The President of our Osler Society,
Mr. H. C. Oatman, a senior student, is sending you the annual
invitation to be the guest of honour and speaker at our banquet
this year, and this is to back him up.

When you couldn't come last year, you
wrote me that you really wanted to, and hoped that we would give
you another chance! In spite of the fact that this must be a
very busy spring for you, I hope that you may be able to manage
it. Oatman will propose some dates.

Butch Little is our Honorary President this
year and I expect you will hear from him too, as we want to train
all our guns on you.

I am worried about Sue Chapin. It is not like
her to be ill. Nothing serious I hope?

All well here. Love to you and yours.

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Butch

23 June, 1931

Dr. Harvey Cushing
Boston

My dear Harvey (my own typing)

Glad to hear you have got a Celsus. Our two copies measure:-

No. 286: 10 1/8 x 7 5/8 in. (25.75 x 19.4 cm.)

" 287: 11 1/8 x 8 in. (28.35 x 20.3 cm.).

The latter, The Italian £2. 10 copy, was not really "in ~~sheet~~ sheets" when W. O. got it, but had certainly been trimmed. I think it was unbound in the sense of having entirely shed its original binding.

W.O. has some remarks on the book and the prices of the copies he was interested in, in a foot-note on p.17 of his "Incunabula medica".

Love from us all,
Celsitudini tuae devotissimus,

W.M.

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Dear Bill:

I think it's very doubtful as to whether I can get up to Montreal for the Osler Society, much as I would like to do so. I think I wrote a procrastinating note to someone, possibly this Mr. Oatman to whom you refer. I have been laid up with a game foot in the hospital for the past two weeks and though I manage to do an operation every day I am not making many plans just at present for expeditions so far afield as Montreal, much as I would love to come.

So tell Butch that it is not likely to be. I have promised to go to Toronto on April 8th to give the Balfour Lecture and had hoped when that was off my chest I could go to the Federated Societies meeting in Montreal where I had hoped to read a paper also; but I am afraid it is likely to be off.

Sue Chapin has taken to her bed. I am not quite sure what it may be. She has had a bad winter with a lot of worries, financial and otherwise. Incidentally she chipped off a piece of bone on her shoulder and now she appears to have a little myxoedema and is in bed under thyroid. Still, the rest probably will do her a lot of good, and I don't think it is anything very serious.

Always yours,

HC.

Love to you all.

Letter H. M. Little. 7th.

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June 13, 1931.

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Dear Willie:

Thanks much for your perfectly delightful note about the Canon of Avicenna which will find a place in one of my copies.

It's written in your inimitable style of which you are probably quite unconscious. You simply must get down to business and put on paper some of the knowledge you have stored up and which the rest of us want to share in. I suppose I'll have to be getting a copy of Gruner's translation, but I have no place to put it except under the bed. But that might be a good place, for I should like sleeping on the book.

Gracious, I didn't know that you had so many copies, printed and written: canons to right of him, canons to left of him, volleyed and thundered.

I am just off to New Haven for my fortieth and expect to have the "Helliest" of times. Best love to all the Bildas.

Always affectionately yours,

Harvey Cushing

Dr. W. W. Francis,
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June 20, 1931.

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Dear Bill:

I have just acquired a 1478 Celsus, a rather good one, and I am anxious to know what are the measurements of the two copies that you have. I suppose the unbound copy W.O. picked up is absolutely uncut and I would like to know its size.

Best love to you all.

Always yours,

Harry C.

*So nice to have seen
you here. Do come
again and stay longer.*

*286 = { 10 1/8 x 7 5/8 in
25.75 x 19.4 cm*

*287 = { 11 1/8 x 8 in.
28.25 x 20.3 cm.*

*W.O. give the prices he paid for these & other copies in the footnote of p. 17
of Incunabula India.*

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October 3, 1931

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

Dear Bill:

So pleased to have your note of welcome this morning.
We had an interesting time in Berne and afterward with Klebs and
a week in Paris with Popsey in the old bookshops. He nearly killed
me, and I would drop into bed exhausted about the time he would
decide to take a three-hour walk on the boulevards.

I have no knowledge of anything being done on the capital
letters in the Fabrica. I suppose that such a study, which is likely
to be interesting and profitable, I may add, would lead one to the study
of the printing establishment of Opérinus, and this would take your
historical friend to Basle. Sorry I can give you no hints.

Best love to you all.

Yours,

JR.

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Dear Willie (Dr W W. Francis - Librarian at Webster Library)

The literary grand is not all its cracked up to be

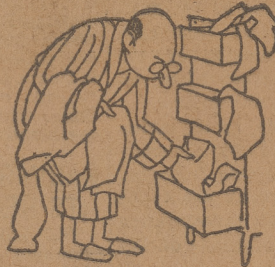
I may have the Hippocratic faces principle to A. Elliott

but this book is how really am.

A Man Looking For Some Socks - - - By Gluyas Williams



CALLS TO WIFE, WHO IS DRESSING JUNIOR, THAT HE CANT FIND HIS GRAY SOCKS WITH THE CLOCKS



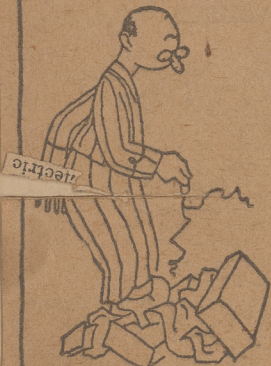
WIFE CALLS SHE'LL COME AS SOON AS SHE CAN. RANSACKS REMAINING DRAWERS, ALSO WIFE'S BUREAU



CALLS THEY ARENT ANYWHERE, WHAT'S HE TO DO, HE PARTICULARLY WANTED TO WEAR THEM



WIFE TELLS HIM TO LOOK IN BUNDLE FROM LAUNDRY, BUT PLEASE DONT GET CLEAN CLOTHES MUSED UP



STRING AROUND BUNDLE BREAKS



GATHERS UP CLEAN CLOTHES AS BEST HE CAN AND DEPOSITS THEM ON BED



CALLS THEY ARE NT THERE EITHER



WIFE LEAVES JUNIOR HALF-DRESSED, LOCATES SOCKS AT BACK OF SOCK DRAWER, AND FINDS HE'S DECIDED TO WEAR BROWN SOCKS INSTEAD

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Yours H C

July 5

Harvey Cushing

Inspired & Stultifier,* in which he was described
as an authority on the pituitary gland and
as facies princeps in neurological
surgery.

W. W. F.

* misreporting Mr Ellis
excellent paper on him, read
at the Otol. Society.

~~This is from the paper~~

Feb. 24th

Dr. Cushing who wrote this letter was the
subject of the paper which I read sometime ago. He has done
a lot of work on the Pituitary Gland which Mr. Theodor Diller
misquoting as Pituitary "Gland". Looking for the article
and wrote the above. Will you return it to me or
give it to Louis? Which!

Affectionately

Harold