

The Osler Library
McGill University
Montreal, Canada
10 February, 1934

Dr. Harvey Cushing,
333 Cedar Street,
New Haven, Conn.

Dear Harvey:

I am so glad to hear from John that things are going better with you and your innards healing nicely. It seems a shame to have kept you in the hospital so long, especially when you had got such a nice house to live in, judging from the Christmas card.

We had a dinner here last week of eighty Old Boys of Trinity College School, at which there was only one Older than I. Who do you suppose he was? No less than the Mr. Perram (spelled Perrin in the Biography, Vol. I, p. 117) who was brought up with William at Bond Head and was at Weston 1867 and moved with the school to Bond Head the next year. He is now 82. He would have been a source of reminiscences ten years ago if we had only known his whereabouts. He was then living in New York. We had a great talk. He is delighted with a copy I have given him of that family group taken about 1854 by his father. All of his early photographs apparently have perished. The group you know is reproduced in Maude Abbott's Volume, p. 23. W. O. is at the foot of the ladder on the left and this same Old Boy is at the corresponding foot at the right, still in a girl's dress. One of his daughters, Mrs. Warren, has charge of the McCord Museum here.

All goes well with us. Love to you and yours.

As ever,

DR. HARVEY CUSHING
NEW HAVEN HOSPITAL
NEW HAVEN · CONNECTICUT

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MCGILL UNIVERSITY,
MONTREAL, CANADA.

March 12, 1934.

Dear Bill:

One's missteps follow one throughout
the years, but I hope in this instance it wasn't
a misstep and that Mrs. Osler's middle name
really was Free and not Frere. Will you be
so kind as to add a note to Miss Dobson on the
bottom of the sheet enclosed and mail it to her
for me, and also at the same time let me know?

I am glad to say that I am just home
after three months in hospital and am picking
up rapidly.

With best love to you all, I am

Always affy.,

HC

Dr. W. W. Francis,
The Osler Library,
McGill University,
Montreal, P.Q., Canada.

The Osler Library
McGill University
Montreal, Canada
15 March, 1934

Dr. Harvey Cushing,
New Haven Hospital,
New Haven, Conn.

Dear Harvey:

Delighted to hear you are out of the hospital at last, and out of it, as patient, I hope for a long time.

I have forwarded the Dictionary of American Biography Query to Miss Dobson with a note that old Mrs. Osler's middle name was Free, so the "misstep" was not yours.

I have been drawing up a list of "works of art, more or less, done in honor of" Osler, for the College of Physicians, Philadelphia. Yesterday my attention was called for the first time to a really charming pastel done by a local artist for Dr. Shepherd in 1920. It comes nearer to getting the "twinkle" in W.O.'s eyes than any other portrait I know. It was hidden behind some books in the cataloguing room in the Medical Library. I don't know what it was copied from.

All well here. Hilda, being superstitious, is relieved that we safely passed our thirteenth anniversary yesterday.

Love to you and yours.

Affectionately,

Bill

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NEW HAVEN · CONNECTICUT

DR. HARVEY CUSHING

OSLER LIBRARY,
MCGILL UNIVERSITY,
MONTREAL, Canada
March 29, 1934.

Dear Bill:

[Osler Soc.] Thanks for sending me the programme of the dinner with your appropriate (to medical folklore) quotation from E.Y.D. I wish I might have been there to take part. Some future day I shall hope to be.

I have been laid up in bed, as you may perhaps have heard, for three months, completely ulcerated. I must have overreached myself last summer when I was trying to wind up a neurosurgical monograph which I had to leave unfinished. But I am glad to say that I am out again and at home and am picking up fast.

I have a letter from one of your students named Harold Elliott who seems to be writing my biography, and he once sent me some preliminary sheets of his composition. It gave me a strange feeling in the gizzard.

He seems like a nice, amiable lad, but do please tell me something about him. He wants to come down after his examinations, to get some further data.

With love to you all, I am

Always affy.,

W.F.

*E did this for the
Osler Soc. Revised
by Gage & Penfield,
it appeared in the
Mtl. Neur. Inst.
vol., 1936
W.F.*

Dr. W. W. Francis,
The Osler Library,
McGill University,
Montreal, P.Q., Canada.

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DR. HARVEY CUSHING

March 28, 1934

Dear Bill:

North Haven

Thanks for sending me the programme of the dinner with your appropriate (to medical folklore) dedication from E.Y.D. I wish I might have been there to take part. Some future day I shall hope to be. I have been laid up in bed, as you may perhaps have heard, for three months, completely recuperated. I must have overreached myself last summer when I was trying to wind up a neurological monograph which I had to leave unfinished. But I am glad to say that I am out again and at home and am picking up fast. I have a letter from one of your students named Harold Elliott who seems to be writing my biography, and he once sent me some preliminary aspects of his composition. It gave me a strange feeling in the stomach. He seems like a nice, amiable fellow but do please let me know what you think of it. I am, with love to you all, I am

With love to you all, I am

Always etc.

W.C.

E did this for the
Pub. Soc. Review
in 1934
at Oxford in the
Mel. New York
Vol. 1934
W.C.

strange god.

Dr. W. W. Francis,
The Osher Library,
Yale University,
New Haven, Conn., U.S.A.

The Osler Library,
McGill University
Montreal, Canada,
5 April, 1934.

Dr. Harvey Cushing,
School of Medicine,
Yale University,
New Haven, Conn.

Dear Harvey:

I am glad to hear that you are out and at home and picking up after the long siege.

About Elliott. He is a "nice, amiable lad", but, like so many of our students, cannot write properly, for lack of good preliminary education. He was brought up in the backwoods of Ontario, but not in a Bond Head personage. The powers that be tell me (without knowing that you are one of them) that he is "always following strange gods". There is plenty of enthusiasm but lack of balance. For instance, he does good volunteer work in neurology, but at the expense of his class work. He is now in his third year, but should be in the fourth, having had to take the first year over again. Another of his gods is rowing. He is one of the University eight, and the crew is a new thing in athletics here and has taken a lot of his time.

Two or three years ago he read a paper on you at the Osler Society. I sent you an amusing extract from the students' daily rag of a newspaper in which the reporter called you the "facies princeps" of neurosurgery. You sent back an amusing comment on it, which is now one of Elliott's treasured possessions. He is a member of my fraternity and I like the boy very much but I don't think I should want him to write my biography. Did you ever notice in our Catalogue #6809, a "brief biography" of T. J. J. See, and E.O.'s notes to it, "unique in scientific literature". It is what might be called a lethal biography". Elliott, however, would not treat you as badly as that. I did not know that he was thinking of writing any sort of formal biography of you. At any rate I do not suppose that the threat can be really imminent.

All well here. Marian is twelve and an ultra stylish young lady, alarmingly modern.

Best love to you and yours.

Bill

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DR. HARVEY CUSHING

1 May 1934.

Dear Bill:

Here is a letter from Dr. Anderson.

I wish I could give him the information, but I
have told him that you probably could do so if
anyone could, and hence I send you the letter.

Always yours,

HC

Love Hall

A. C. P. Howard.

Dear Campbell,

*Can you remember or locate
this? I can't. Please return
to me*

W. W. F.

4.10.34.

Just letter to A. M.

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

The Osler Library, McGill University
Montreal, Canada

12 June, 1934

Dr. Harvey Cushing,
Yale University School of Medicine,
New Haven, Conn.

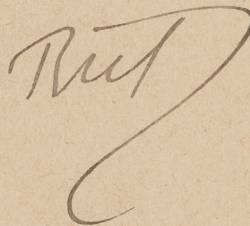
My dear Harvey:

I enclose a copy of an interesting letter of W. O.'s about the plans for the Brigham Hospital, Nov. 25th, 1909. It was among some papers which came to light at the very last clean-up before leaving Norham Gardens, and not having been "C"-een by you, you presumably had not seen it. I like the "Christian Science and other forms of early insanity", and his reason for not going to Harvard in "1887 or 1888".

Who is Reynolds? And I have not been able to find the year of W. O.'s tentative call to Harvard. One cannot be certain from the draft whether this letter was ever sent. If it is not in the archives of the Brigham ought not a copy to be sent them?

It was fine to see you and the family in your beautiful new surroundings and to find you so well and jolly. I have been re-reading your charming account of Popsey's funeral and am struggling with a note on him for our Journal.

Yours ever,



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DR. HARVEY CUSHING

14 June 1934.

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MONTREAL, CANADA

Dear Bill:

Thanks much for the 'Reynolds' letter about the P.B.B.H. I don't recall ever having seen it and certainly never used it. You probably have seen my report of his remarks at the unofficial "opening" of the Hospital in the Spring of 1913. The trustees were opposed to having him invited as they were not ready to be "opened" - never were, in fact.

a letter from
R. to W.O.

Reynolds (John P.) was one of the trustees - the most active in fact. He was a cousin + removed of Tante Grace. He must have written for advice.

I'll send a copy, as you suggest, to the President of the Board of Trustees.

It was grand to have a glimpse of you recently - all too brief. Do come again and spend the night. We'll give you tea in bed with all the fixings - "Yes, Sir. Thank you, Sir." Even goat's milk, if you desire.

Sir W. M. Fletcher's
story.

Glad you like the skit about Popsey. I've already sent you a reprint.

Best to all,

Yours always,

HC.

Please tell Dr. Mac Dermott for me his
rules on the left hand in Am. Med. Hist. are
most interesting and please to send me a
reprint.
HC

Dr. W. W. Francis,
The Osler Library,
McGill University,
Montreal, P.Q., Canada.

The Osler Library
McGill University
Montreal, Canada
21 June, 1934

Dr. Harvey Cushing,
Yale University School of Medicine,
333 Cedar Street,
New Haven, Conn.

My dear Harvey:

Thanks for your letter about Reynolds,
etc. Macdermot will send you one of the ten "tear sheets"
of his paper when he gets them. I have not, by the way, as
yet received the reprint of your "Norfolk Walches" sketch
which you say you have already sent.

Archie has just written to me that the
Hoosier Bookshop (what a name!), 2346 Park Ave., Indianapolis,
has issued a mimeographed list #23 in which Item 214 is the
carbon copy of a speech made by W. O. at the opening of the
Brigham Hospital in 1913, priced at \$300, no less. Even if
it is unique and unpublished I am not in the market at that
price, but I ought to keep a record of Osler queries. It has
reminded me that some man, I think from the Middle West, who
was writing up the history of the Brigham, wrote me asking for
some record of these remarks. If I remember rightly, no trace
of them could be found. Can you tell me who the enquirer might
be? Having forgotten his name I cannot find the correspondence.

Love to all.

Yours ever,

Rid

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DR. HARVEY CUSHING

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25 June 1934.

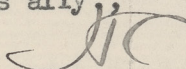
Dear Bill:

Thanks for your letter. I am glad the little sketch of Popsy and his forbears has turned up.

I think the Hoosier Book Shop is probably just the right name for 2343 Park Avenue, Indianapolis. Where they could have gotten hold of the carbon copy of W.O.'s speech at the opening of the Brigham I don't know. My then secretary, Miss Brinkley, as she was accustomed to do on such occasions, took it down more or less accurately; and I had, so far as I know, the only copy of these notes. It was a purely informal address given without any notes. I published it more or less in extenso in the Sixth Annual Report of the Brigham Hospital for 1919, a copy of which I will have sent to you if they still have them.

Consequently, if the man from the Middle West is still writing up the history of the Brigham, you can refer him to these old reports in which most of the Hospital history is told. That, indeed, was the principal reason for getting them out, and I had quite a fight when the depression came on to get the Superintendent and the Trustees to continue publishing them.

Always affy,



P.S. Miss Stanton has found a reprint of my part of the Annual Report which may answer your purposes. It contains a copy of the photograph taken on that day which was not in the hospital pamphlet as published.

Dr. W. W. Francis,
The Osler Library,
McGill University,
Montreal, P.Q., Canada.

Offers for \$300⁰⁰ "Osler's"
orig. MS. of his 1913
speech at the opening
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sheets, uncorrected,
of Miss B's report.
W. W. F.
1939

J. F. F. this photo, as
I wrote you, wasn't
mentioned in the
1st ed. of H.C. Bibliog.
W. W. F.
1939.

Overloaded with up in the text

three in (hard) then to the same work) in our meeting on p. 1.

I will necessarily give the title of Davis's work, in the middle of p. 2, where it ended in interest at the end.

Dear Bill:

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Francis, W. W.

25 June 1934.

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Dr. W. W. Francis,
The Osler Library,
McGill University,
Montreal, P.Q., Canada.

The Osler Library
McGill University
Montreal, Canada
8 August, 1954

Dr. Harvey Cushing,
Yale University School of Medicine,
333 Cedar Street,
NEW HAVEN, Conn.

Dear Harvey:

Stanton

Thanks to you and Miss Dunton for the reprint of your Annual Report 1920 containing the abstract of W.O.'s speech. It arrived during my holidays, otherwise it should have been acknowledged before. I sent the reference to the Hoosier Bookshop with the idea that it might bring down the price of the \$300 carbon copy (not that I am thinking of buying it). They tell me they are communicating with the owner of the MS., whose name they do not give me and whom I suspect to be the fellow that wrote me a few years ago to find out whether the speech had ever been published.

I hope that you are having a good summer, and that you are keeping in good health and spirits as you were when I saw you in May. I am looking forward to seeing you next month at the opening of the Neurological. It is a very grand building and I hope it won't give you a postmortem feeling to see your name emblazoned on the wall with the other great neurologists.

Yours ever,

Trill

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MONTREAL.

DR. HARVEY CUSHING

10 August 1934.

Dear Bill:

Thanks for your letter. I shall be interested to learn what you hear from the Hoosier Bookshop.

I have just been agitating myself over a letter I have received from Riesman who tells me that I must have gotten that Latin inscription on the Welch fountain in Norfolk wrong. It should certainly be solatii, and he thinks the et ought to be ut. All of which makes me very uncomfortable. Anyhow, I didn't copy it myself but somebody did so for me, which shows that you ought always to "corroborate your references, my child".

And now you tell me that I am to have an obituary at Montreal next month with my name on a building alongside of Hippocrates and the rest. It is too awful.

This will finish me completely, for I have been trying to write an address which certainly is not of an obituary nature but will be, I fear, provocative to psychiatrists and neurologists.

But I don't even know what Penfield is going to do in this new building beside surgery and research. Are all the neurological and psychiatric and psychological and neuropathological interests of McGill to be centred there, or what's it all about? I am not quite sure in my mind and wouldn't dare write Penfield to ask. Perhaps you can help me out.

Always yours,

W.C.

Allen and Greenough in their Stanton's old Latin grammar says *genitive of us and him is correctly written with a single i.*

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

H.C. had it right.
The metre demanded
the contracted
form solatii
W.W.F.

= His name in the
"Hall of Neuro-Fame."

Mentioned in the
Arch. Neur. Inst.
June vol., 1934.

The Osler Library
McGill University
Montreal, Canada
13 August, 1934

Dr. Harvey Cushing,
Yale University School of Medicine,
333 Cedar Street,
New Haven, Conn.

My dear Harvey:

I don't think you need worry about the inscription. I am quite sure it is correct; solati is the contracted genetive and is absolutely obligatory in this position in Latin verse, because both the o and the a are long and consequently solatii would not possibly scan; also et is much more probable than ut because the ipse goes with the fruit and refers to father Welch; Reisman evidently takes it to refer to the fountain, but in that case I think it would have to read talis ut ego fuit, which would be awkward. Anyway I had enough confidence in the correctness of your quotation to use it in the enclosed, which your paper inspired and which I expect I neglected to send you before.

Also don't worry about the "obituary". You have two living companions on the wall. The entrance hall of the new Neurological Institute is about 30 X 20 feet, in the chaste modern style, walls tinted brown. Opposite the entrance is a replica of a French statue (in the Pasteur Institute ?) of "Nature revealing herself to Science" (also chaste). It is a sort of Hall of Fame, having the names of fourteen famous neurologists on the wall just below the ceiling, namely, Horsley, Jackson, Sherrington, Golgi, Ramon y Cajal, Pavlov, Weir Mitchell, Charcot, Bernard, Harvey Cushing, Erb, Nissl-Alzheimer, and one other whose name I forget. Your name is on the left as one enters, over the entrance to the corridor. The ceiling of the room is ingenious and striking. It is covered with paintings of various types of nerve cells on a shadowy background of a magnified network of capillaries. In the centre there is a large medallion consisting of a ram's head, which was the architect's suggestion as a substitute for the first proposal, namely, Christopher Wren's drawing of the base of the brain showing the Circle of Willis, which seemed too grossly anatomical. The ram Aries of course signifies the astrological head and brain. Around Aries are the four Egyptian hieroglyphics which stand for the brain in the Edwin Smith papyrus (my suggestion) and around that again is a motto in the Greek sentence which I dug out of Galen, where he is commenting on an aphorism of Hippocrates to the effect that wounds of the brain are always fatal, and says, "But I have seen a severely injured brain heal". I hope you will approve of the whole scheme when you see it next month. If you do not, you can repudiate your name by maintaining that it is that of some Slavic colleague, because it is spelled in classical capitals, CVSHING!. The Institute is a fine building about eight stories high, with wards and everything. It is to take care of the entire neurological and neuropathological interests but not psychology or psychiatry. Living or dead, certainly your name could not have been left out of it - "the very stones would cry out". Without you and your work it would not be there, as you and everybody else know.

I have just had a nice letter from Klebs, who is sending me for the Library his copy of the Parisano Harvey, which the Chief did not have. He is also going to send me that nice gargoyle portrait of you in the Alps contemplating the abyss.

I hope you are keeping well and that the "provocative" address which you are busy on is intended to be delivered to us here next month.

Yours ever,

Bill

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MONTREAL, Canada.

16 August 1934.

DR. HARVEY CUSHING

Dear Bill:

Thanks hugely for your letter telling me about the Welch inscription which is a great comfort. I tackled the professor of Latin here the other night and he said in effect what you have written, though I doubt if he is as good a Latin scholar as you are. Your paper on Dr. Welch is simply A-1, like everything else you do. The story about Mr. X. and the introduction to the translation of Billroth is excellent, just as are all the other amusing stories with which you have peppered your brief note. It's nice of you to have called attention to my short skit.

Thanks, too, for the information about the entrance hall of the neurological institute in whose symbolical decorations I gather that you have had a leading hand. I have been trying to outline my thirty-minute paper and hope I can make some sort of fist of it, though I really don't quite know what there is to say except that here is a new opportunity to push along neurology under favourable circumstances. Neurology has always been a sort of Cinderella of Medicine and rather neglected.

Foundation?
I am telling the story of our effort after the War to start a Neurological Institute in Washington to take care of the veterans with disabled nervous systems. We went to the Rockefeller Institute about it and Popsy was very much interested. I think we might have pulled it off had it not been that Mr. X. (in this case Simon) objected by saying that the laboratory investigations we proposed to carry out on encephalitis and other subjects could better be done in the Rockefeller Institute. I have an idea that all this may have simmered in the minds of certain of the Foundation people and that it may have been the seed out of which this Montreal institute has come into being.

John and Lucia have just lit out for abroad carrying his and Miss Baumgartner's completed Fracastorius bibliography which I suppose they will carry to Nyon and check in A.C.K.'s library - a good place to work, but I hope they won't get him off his trolley for I judge from all accounts he has been working hard on his own task this Spring.

Always yours,

Serve to Hilda et Cie.

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

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DR. HARVEY CUSHING

21 August 1934.

*I think this was H's own nickname for him,
he is always "Jake" or "Jacobus" to the rest of us.
W.W.F.*

Dear Bill:

= Dr H.B. Jacobs

Here is a screed from the Baron

about one Alice Osler which I am sending on
for your information.

*17th cent.
no known con-
nection*

W.W.F.

Always yours,

JTC

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

The Osler Library
McGill University
Montreal, Canada
24 August, 1984

Dr. Harvey Cushing,
333 Cedar Street,
New Haven, Conn.

My dear Harvey:

Thanks for yours of the 21st. The Baron had already written to me and sent me a copy of Alice Osler's screed. I wrote him that we did not seem to know of any Oslers prior to the Chief's great-grandfather, born in 1732. I neglected to mention to him that Alice is one of the few names which does not occur among his numerous progeny. However, it is interesting to have the old Quackeress's letter.

I am a bit fuzzy in the head after reading John's Fracastoro proofs. How that boy puts his bibliography through the dictaphone I never could understand.

Good old Klebs has just sent me the 1639 Parisanus Harvey, which the Chief had never picked up. It fills one of the few gaps in that section. I hope you are getting some leisure time with your old books.

I return Jake's letter to you. I will keep the copy of Alice's if you don't want it.

I am just off for a week-end with Colin Russel.

Yours ever,

Bill

H.P. Jarvis

[on Elliott's biography of him!]

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DR. HARVEY CUSHING

J.F.F.: What H.'s opinion was of the final
version that appeared in 1936
I don't know. I pleaded throughout

Sept 22

for a more who's-who'y life for
the living. W.W.F.

Dear Bee - [Francis]

Young Elliott has been spending

the night with me - a nice boy though

somewhat sophomoric which of course

is something he will not grow.

But write write!! I intend to

write of it. It is providential that he

suggested I should tour at the tropical

school which he and Dr. ? had

prepared.

The poor lad has taken excerpts from

some of my old papers and has put

them in quotes (sometimes but not always)

after quoting them!! To suit his general

of composition,
ideas } 'It struck terror to my robust heart' as

W. James once said under a similar setting,

I told him the paper ought not to be
published in its present form not only because
of its inaccuracies but because it would
be out of all proportion to the other

biographies in the Centennial volume.

He took it very well and I have
sent him down to the beach to see Kate.

I'm happy and proud to have any young student
medico take an interest in my old publications
and glad to lend a hand in the way of
help but to have him publish it
in the same before I'm dead and buried
is more than I bargained for.

If I am to be biographed in Penfield's
volume I think it should be brief, factual,
and snappy, rather than long, with the other ^{sketches} ~~sketches~~.

Wheat will be turning up to see
to it you off ^{reading} my reaction to his
last round and finally and see his
off hand and "always to wing" his references.

for shells and I wrote to
his wife before you saw him. Heat
writing can't be done

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7 Sept., 1934

Dr. Harvey Cushing,
Yale University School of Medicine,
New Haven, Conn.

My dear Harvey:

"Rest, rest, perturbed spirit".

Yours of Sept. 4th came this morning and I had a visit from Elliott yesterday. His enthusiasm for you is far from being chilled by his visit with you, and I think he understands perfectly about the Life. He has left it with me and I have also consulted the men at the Institute. Your Life, like Sherrington's and those of the others who are still living, is not to be published in the journal to which the other Lives ~~are~~^{are to} be contributed, but the plan is to print them all in a pamphlet commemorative of the opening of the Institute. The volume will not be ready for the opening, but will be printed afterwards. So there is no hurry. They are busy revising Elliott's effort at present and it is to be turned over to me finally. I suggested before and have done so again, that the Lives of the living should be made little more than Who's-Whosey, so I hope that when we have all finished with it you may still recognize yourself without being struck with terror.

I am just off to meet Bodley's Librarian, who is due to arrive this afternoon on the steamer. I hope he will have time to see the libraries this afternoon and avoid bringing me and my colleagues in from the country tomorrow.

Love to you and yours,

Yours ever,

W. D. D.

P.S. - Dr. Cushing.

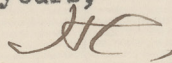
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Dear Bill:

I have just acquired a copy of Dr. Payne's
"History of the College Club". If I remember correctly,
this was the book in which W.O. during the War marked
after the names of the members when they had lost sons
in the War. If that's so, I wonder if you could with-
out too much trouble get your secretary to look through
the volume you have and send me what it may contain,
so that I can add it in my copy.

Always yours,



P.S. It was grand to have seen you the other
day looking so fit and full of spirit. Next time I shall
hope to see the other and more important members of the
family.

Dr. W. W. Francis,
The Osler Library,
McGill University,
Montreal, P.Q., Canada.

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Montreal, Canada
13 October, 1934

Dr. Harvey Cushing,
Yale University School of Medicine,
New Haven, Conn.

Dear Harvey:

Yes, it is Payne's "History", #6096, which contains the notes about the lost sons. W.O. has written "Lost son in war" in the left margins of the even pages at the end containing the list of "Members of the College Club". The first entry is on p. xxx, opposite #133 - Powell, subsequent entries on xxxii, opposite 142 and 144 (under the latter, Frederick Taylor's name, he has written "Elected President 1915"), on xxxiv, opposite #148 (under Moore's name, "Elected President 1918"), opposite his own name, #150, and opposite #154. At the bottom of this page and p. xxxv, he has filled in the following:

	<u>No.</u>	<u>First entry</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Elected College</u>	<u>Fellow Offices</u>	<u>University</u>
Lost son in war	156	Nov. 30 1910	H.D. Rolleston	1894		M.D. Cantab. 55 Upper Brook St.
	157	" " "	H. B. Donkin	1890	Harveian. 1910	M.D. Oxf. 62 Portland Place
	158	Nov. 29 1911	Sir James Goodhart	1880		M.D. Aberd. 25 Portland Place
Lost 2 sons in war	159	" " "	Arch. Garrod	1891		M.D. Oxford 9 Chandos Street
	160		Sidney Coupland	1880		M.D. Lond. 16 Q. Anne St.
	161		Mitchell Bruce	1878		M.D. Lond. 23 Harley St.
	162	Nov. 1913	J. K. Fowler			M.D. Cantab. Clarges St.

The last three manuscript entries overflow on to the back of xxxv. Opposite Garrod's name, #159, the entry reads "Lost 2 sons in war"; I believe it turned out to be 3, did it not?

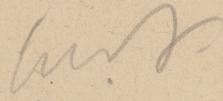
by This is all that your letter seems to call for, though I am a little doubtful ~~as to~~ what you mean by "what it may contain". There is an enormous amount of material inserted in the volume, mostly related to blackballing, namely in order: W.O.'s manuscript record of the votes obtained ~~on~~ about 40 candidates on Oct. 30, 1910; another list of candidates undated; a letter from Savage, Nov. 30, 1904, asking if he may put up W.O.'s name for membership; an undated extract from the Pall Mall Gazette about blackballing and the ethics of King Edward's resignation from his club when they turned down one of his friends; at the end on a fly-leaf a whole page of W.O.'s indignant notes about various election meetings 1910-12, when they found it impossible to elect anybody on account of the obstructionist tactics of "Polonius" and "Hibernicus". Inserted: W.O.'s detailed list of votes obtained by another 40 candidates on Oct. 30, 1911; a letter from Sir Humphry Rolleston, 30 March, 1918, about a college (not a club) election; a printed slip of the Club Rules, practically the same as those printed on p. xxxvii; and a notification of a dinner 15 Nov., 1913. I hope you don't want all these, not that it would be too much trouble, by any means, to give them to you, but I think most of the blackball notes ought to be treated as confidential, at any rate during the life time of the unsuccessful candidates.

Dr. Cushing, 13 Oct., '34 -2

We are happily settled in a nice new apartment, with plenty of sunshine and good alpine air and outlook, so Hilda is very content. Keep well and come and see us soon.

We have an enthusiastic Venerable Archdeacon here in charge of the old Anglican parish church of St. George's. He boasts of a large family connection in which all the male members are either doctors or parsons. Last year he inaugurated a Medical Sunday about this time of the year, on the Sunday nearest to St. Luke's Day. He preached on W.O. (rather badly) and had Meakins and me read the Lessons. On the 21st of this month Campbell Howard and I are to read the Lessons. The Archdeacon sounded me a few weeks on the possibility of getting YOU to come up and PREACH THE SERMON. I told him no one could do it better but I doubted whether it was in your line, and at any rate there was no use in approaching you this year as you had so recently made the journey here, and I am afraid I hazarded a guess that it would not be much use approaching you in future years for such a purpose. However, now you know that if you ever feel inclined to occupy an Anglican pulpit, that of St. George's is open to you in the middle of any October.

Yours ever,



Dictated by Dr. Francis
and signed in his absence

re life of F. J. Shepherd

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Jean Lucie [Francis]

Jan delighted with Dr. ^{Howell's} Shepherd
Dr. Shepard - Surgeon. Such a good picture
of his sturdy character. I wish I might
have had it in during the 05s. ^{Como, P.Q.} Como
means nothing to me there.

During the few interviews with him
in field the whole story about W.C. came
out of which I made a less complicated.
I should have had some one to take them
down word for word as given.

He was more eager and willing to give
me help than almost any other person
I encountered and kept sending me old
letters from him to him as he ran across
them. So I told the attorney, dear,
Please thank Dr. Hawley for a very pleasant
evening.

I'm just off for the Hist. of Science Society with a address
up myself on "The Humanizing of Science." (hope I
don't quite know what it means or whether its possible.

Best love to you. Hope

you had the best of Christmas.

J.T.

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