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NAVAL HOSPITAL
PEARL HARBOR
TERRITORY OF HAWAII

22 May, 1925.

Dear Doctor Cushing:

First of all let me thank you for the copy of your address, "The Western Reserve and Its Medical Traditions", which I have read with pleasure.

A few days ago I received the magnum opus, your "Life of Osler", and have read vol. I, and am about to begin vol II. In glancing through vol II, I was gratified to note that you had made full use of my modest contribution, and I am proud to have it there. The more I read of the work, the more I am impressed with the magnitude of your task, and I marvel

how you ever managed to do it, and
 carry on your other work. Per-
 haps you found the condensation of the
 vast amount of material the heaviest
 task of all, and in this I think
 the book reveals a fine discrimina-
 tion on the part of the author.

I need not dilate upon my intense
 enjoyment in every word I have read
 thus far, and with how much pleasure
 the anticipation I am looking forward
 to the second volume.

I am venturing to send in vol 1, with
 the request for an inscription on the
 fly leaf. Will you do this for me?

I was quite shocked to hear of the
 sudden taking off of your neighbor,

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in Brookline, Mrs. Lowell. Only three weeks before her death, Mrs. Alexander had written me that she had been obliged to cancel a lecture trip in England, that she was in bed, endeavoring to gather strength for a necessary operation. I fear that she lived under high pressure, and particularly during these past years when "John Keats" was in hand.

I hope that Mrs. Cushing and the children are well. My 19 year old baby daughter and Miss Leffingwell, her friend, will join me for the summer, so I expect to be busy, taking them to Evans & Bulwer. With all best wishes, I remain,

Sincerely yours

F. H. Pleadwell.