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TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS, "LARTNEC, GLASGOW"

TELEPHONE, CENTRAL 9680 (7 LINES)

London Midland and Scottish Railway Company,
Central Hotel,

Glasgow, July 31, 1925.

My dear Dr. Cushing:

You are giving me a (voluntary) ~~personal~~ ^{introduction}. In ~~Osler~~ I picked up a copy of the thin paper edition of your biography of the man whom we all loved, and have read (in bed) as far as page 174, of Vol. II. It reads like a novel. I think your secret lies in letting Osler, and his friends, tell a large part of the story in their own letters. Is it not so?

The international Convention of English-speaking "eye-oculists" was a huge success. It wound up with a banquet in the Guildhall, where about 400 of us had a delightful evening.

The London weather, during

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the Congress, was rotten. The first part was so red-hot as to be sickening: the later days left frozen ice in one's veins and only. As was told you (so I think) in a former letter, I went up to Oxford: then dropped in on Edinburgh friends, where, by the way, I am next year to make an invasion and give my lantern-slide talk on "Great Artists and Famous Anatomists". I must get the blooming thing out of my system. Probably I am will speed finish. While in E. I found, at Mr. Davis's store, a copy of a book by our Hebridean friend, Descartes which may interest you; and

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I have asked Mr. O. to kindly
forward this book to you with
my compliments. I tried to find
some Vesalian items for you;
but, alas, all were gobblet up.
In London I told Mr. W. G.
Spencer, 2 Portland Place W. 1,
all about your Vesalian craze. He
is chief of staff of the Westminster
Hospital. You must meet him.
Tomorrow am to sail on the Cam-
eronia. Must go back to the grind.

Sincerely yours,

James Moens Ball.

To
Dr. Harvey Cushing,
Boston.

P.S. My regards to the Doc. - JMB.