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Dr. Harvey Cushing,
Peter Bent Brigham Hospital,
Boston, Mass.,

My dear Harvey:-

I have your letter of December 4th. I quite feel with you that criticism of the Biography on account of length is not justified. If a shorter Life was to be written, I should not feel that it should simply be a question of boiling down your material. I think it should be from rather a different standpoint and tell the story in a different way.

As to the price, I think in England it is 37<sup>s</sup> 6<sup>d</sup>, which makes it about \$9.

What you say regarding the absence of arrangements is very curious. I should feel that it was very important for you to try and get some signed statement from them. Book publishers are a class by themselves and I have long since given over trying to understand them. I think your suggestion of having a special price for medical students is an excellent one.

I do not know how far the proposition of which I wrote you will go, but it is evidently being seriously considered. In view of the way in which the matter came to me I do not feel that I should be quoted.

There is not the slightest reason why you should not point out to the press the possibility of some one taking your volumes and making a shorter work out of them.

With kind regards,
Yours very truly,

Thomas de Ca