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Dear Chief

For a long time I have been anxious to write to you, and I have certainly thought of you a thousand times. One of my cousins told me of a letter from Tom Boggs which she had seen, in which he wrote of his visit to you and how much he enjoyed seeing you both again, after so long.

On Dec. 28th, last, soon after I heard for the first time of dear Revere's death, I wrote you a long letter from Savannah, but you may never have recd. it, the mails are so uncertain these days. I remember sending you a copy of the catalogue (ca. 1803, I think) of the library of van Murr (who reprinted the *Christianism Restitutio* of Servetus in 1790) which I thought that you might like to have, but I do not now remember just when I sent it from Savannah. Recently I saw at the SGO in Washington their copy of Murr's reprint, which Garrison said had puzzled you somewhat, and discovered that the microscopic date 1790 at the end had been erased, possibly with the hope of making someone believe that it was the original edition. The paper is so thin at this point that there is no doubt about the fact of the erasure.

I recd. your interesting pamphlets on the Book-Worm and on the Library School in the College, and hope that I thanked you for them.

Various travels long delayed my being able to solve your bibliographical questions, but I found that Hemberger & Meusel's *Das gelehrte Deutschland* 5ed. I, 499 (Lemgo 1796), Kayser's *Bucherlexicon* &c. all agree that "Ueber die Charlatanerie der Gelehrten seit Menken, Leipzig 1791" was written by Joh. Gabr. Bernhard Buschel. The first ed. of Menken's book is Leipzig 1715 (copy in BM), the two parts of it having been delivered Feb. 9, 1713 & Feb. 14, 1715.

On Voltaire's *Maupertuisiana* 1753 I can only refer you to the data in Bengesco's *Voltaire Bibliographie* II, 63-68 (which must be in the Bodlian)

May I call your attention to two misprints in the 1912 ed. of your Princ. & Practice of Medicine p.264 for Block read Bloch

P.476 for Wassennar read Wassenaer, who is doubtless the Baron Opdam van Wassenaer mention in the Encycl. Brit. vol. 8 p. 730, col.2.

I remember your showing me the original ed. of Boerhaave's little book on his case.

Did you buy anything at this year's Huth Sale?? I bought only #6359, Rive's Chasse aux Bibliographes, in a beautiful binding by Bedford, but I do not think it is really on large paper. At least it is no larger than both the copies in the NYPL, one of which contains Dibdin's book-plate.

As you know I liked your friend Mr. Wheatley so very much, and so I bid on the handsome French Athenaeus at the sale of his books, but Quaritch thought the price too high (and it was!) so did not get it. However then by chance I got Wheatley's copy of Copinger's little book/on the author-ship of the articles in the first hundred nos. of the Edinburgh Review, with a presentation inscription from the author, so I have that at least.

Though I am as you know such an intense BIBLIOPHOOL (as one of my uncles irreverently calls it) yet I gave up my position as Librarian of the DeRenne Library at Savannah, in order to enter some war work, and am now awaiting definite information from the National Red Cross Headquarters in Washington, for I am quite counting on going to France some time early in October. It may be some time still before the matter is all settled, as they proceed very slowly. But I am determined to go over one way or another.

And thus I hope to see you both en route (if possible) and am looking forward to doing so with much pleasure.

But please send me a card when you get this, in in any case.

Now I must close.

With very cordial regards to you both

I am now staying with my Mother.

Very sincerely yours,