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295 University St.
Montreal.

Manley sup

My dear George

It was so kind
as write to tell me that we were
in some anxiety about Rankine
as the pain in his ankle continued
severe & had lasted fr Octr 14th to Nov
4th, & for a while we knew was
still unabated, but today, after you
had a telephone talk on the matter,
I received a letter fr G^o dated 11th with
the welcome news that Mr Campbell
Williams had just been to see Rankine

I was satisfied that his part was
 now improving, & that although against
 advice, that she had gone upstairs
 to see Rankine herself & found him
 looking & feeling better which the nurse
 confirmed. Her medical attendant,
 Dr. Spencer, had paid her a recent visit
 & told her that she had made decided
 improvement, but he wanted her to
 keep her bed for a days longer. All
 this is a decided relief & I did not
 care to see as intimated, but I shall
 not be altogether at ease until I know
 something of the nature of Dr.'s attack its
 probable cause & whether it is likely
 to recur. As I shall be better gratified

I glad if you have written to
 Mr. Comphel Williams, in the hope
 that he will write a true & full acct
 of his case. I had a letter also from
 Emma today - they are all well & at
 present plodding on at life's ordinary
 level. We have not told father
 about K. as he mt. put & talk to his
 own harm, but shd the next letter
 confirm the false news I will
 then tell him. I think that we shall
^{have} no trouble in persuading him not to
 enter upon any arrangement for the
 publication of his biography at present.
 He received your letter of yesterday today.
 His high chy has quite cheered him & we

have had a nice dinner. I have not had
 a chance to look at the news today
 but G^r father tells me of the death
 of Basil Pakule, a most unexpected
 event. I did not admire him much
 but perhaps he had qualities I did
 not discover. I doubtless his wife &
 other relatives lament his early death.

With much love, dear George,
 from
 Mother.

ever. I feel certain however that
at least another month must
elapse before the patient will
be able to use his foot. It has
improved very much during the
last week and also his general
condition is now quite favourable

Truly yours

Campbell Williams
F.R.C.S.

Dr Campbell Williams

8 Dec 1898

18, Queen Anne Street,
Cavendish Square, W.

Dear Sir

Dr Rankine Dawson
has been and still is laid up
with septic inflammation of
the soft tissues outside the
ankle joint. There has been
some difference of opinion as to
how the microbe that has caused
the condition has gained access
to the part, but that has really
slight bearing on the condition &
does not in any way influence the
treatment. The course has been
tedious and prolonged but there
is no doubt that the cure will
be complete and that eventually
the ankle will be as good as



