

From S. Weir Mitchell.  
13th Jan. 1904.

CVS417/100.20

1524 Walnut Street  
Philadelphia.

(script)

My Dear Regius -

"My Son verify your quotations" - or clarify them.

You say yr. Fracas<sup>8</sup> is at the end of Examen-Particum - 3rd part. of Miscel<sup>8</sup> - Poems 1693 - Edited by Dryden. Did he edit himself or Tate or Fracastorius - No such edition can I find in the Brit. Mus. Cat<sup>l</sup>. or Watts. An interesting Memoir of Fracastorius is by Rev. W.P. Greswell 1801. He gives a long quotation fr. the Syphilis Poems - his own translation? - G. as unlike Tate as possible.

I find no miscel<sup>v</sup> of yr date 1693 - and if Dryden filched Tate or re-translated, you may find out.

However it is an ill wind etc. It sent me to Johnson's life of Dryden - where I found that D's first poem was on the death by Small Pox of Lord Hastings - His pustules he describes as "rose-buds and - gems" &c. at last as stars, so that finally - being semiconfluent I presume -

"No comet need foretell his change drew on - (sic)  
Whose corpse might seem a constellation."

Is it to be found, that Poem? <sup>And this</sup> ~~A kiss~~ for you -

"Oxford to him a dearer name shall be  
Than his own Mother University."

This is all until we meet - on 27.

I have some very fair hash-trash stewing.

Yrs.

WEIR MITCHELL.

*Remson*  
Reversioner writes me of a dinner - and that, between us, I crave less than a bit talk with you - over bocks -