

C O P Y.

13 Norham Gardens, Oxford,

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Dear Mac:-

Things have not gone straight since I wrote about three weeks ago. While the temperature kept normal and the pulse good, the cough persisted - short and irritating and then a paroxysm every day or two. Moderate expectoration only. Practically nothing in lungs. Two weeks ago 11.20 p.m. on a Friday an acute pleurisy - wakened with the pain, which was severe all night. Temperature 101° plus until 12 the next day when it dropped to normal and has not been up since. Pain sharp all day on deep breathing and coughing and Gibson could hear a soft friction. At 6 p.m. that day one of the whirlwind paroxysms lasting 10 - 15 minutes which "blew the pleurisy to blazes" - at any rate blew the pain away and it has never returned, either in coughing or deep breathing. Lord a mercy! The friction increased and ~~is~~<sup>has</sup> extended round to the front on the right side. I can feel it and hear it. No effusion has followed. I still cough and have a paroxysm now daily, but not so severe. Chest tight and in the paroxysm a sensation of constriction. General condition good. Gibson has just sent word that he has found the Pfeiffer <sup>bacillus</sup> for the first time. This may account for the anomalous type of the case. Heart good. Do tell Amy the outlook is hopeful and thank her for the letters. I hope to write about the Text Book in a few days. I only get it pen and ink by stealth.

Yours ever,

W. O.

Let's let J. McCrea - write in his own hand.