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To Hon. J. Shepard fur W.O.

Dear Shepherd,

Prof. Ruttan  
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Ruttan's note was sent from England and I found it here on Sunday.  
Ruttan's?

Oct 1st the day of return

I send word at once, that as the time was so short it was quite out of the question. I thought of course the opening was for Oct. 1st. Your letter this AM made <sup>me</sup> refer against this & I find it is for Nov. 1st.

I am extremely disappointed not to be able to consent but I really could not prepare another lecture this year & in so short a time. I have, as you know, written two within the past six months, (the Army Surgeon, & the Leaven of Science) and I do not feel that I could face a third with the amount of necessary work I have on hand. I am very sorry indeed as it would have been a great pleasure to be with you all again.

I heard of you from the MacKenzies. you <sup>won't</sup> ~~over~~ the heart of the children. I had a letter for Cunningham this week in which he says they enjoyed your visit very much. We were kept pretty busy in England. I was <sup>preparing</sup> performing a little monograph on Chorea and doing some reading about Sydenham in the British Museum. I hope we shall see you here before long.)

Mrs. Osler sends kind regards.

With Love to the children

Yours sincerely

W<sup>m</sup> Osler

The Sisters MacKenzie who lived in Caversham Sq, W.O. had always known him well since perhaps the time he was in Vienna? Come to Baltimore once, they were students in Vienna and never failed to visit him in London. Sister or Mrs MacKenzie had a visit to the John Hopkins Hospital.

C/o Blomquist & MacKenzie