

May 18 1895

In your reply please
refer to these initials

GHS

535 North Dearborn Street, CHICAGO, April 1, 1920.

Dear Doctor Cushing:

Your note of the 24th ult. is just to hand. I was not at the meeting to which you refer and have no personal knowledge of Osler's "blow-out," as you call it, at the time he attacked my predecessor. You will find a brief account of the proceedings in The Journal for May 18, 1895, p. 764.

Many times I have heard of the speech made by Osler on that occasion, which has been referred to as a very vigorous one - really a personal attack on Atkinson. Knowing Osler as I knew him, I can not imagine his saying anything personal or vicious; but I can imagine his telling some truths that ought to have been told at that time, and that probably did good.

Sincerely yours,

George W. Simmons

Dr. Harvey Cushing,
Boston, Mass.