

(Dr. Alexander C. Abbott).

No. 1 West Franklin St., Baltimore.

Sept. 22nd, 1902.

Dear Abbott:-

Glad to hear that you are all back again and quite well. I had intended to write to George about the new baby and the name. I was delighted to be honored in such a way.\*

I do not know of any condition which could be mistaken for the crisis of pneumonia unless it should be the sudden drop in a case of malaria. There is no other condition in which we see in seven or eight hours a drop of as many degrees. Typhus fever of course sometimes terminates by crisis, which may be very marked, but we rarely see it nowadays.

By the way, I was asked in Montreal by one or two of the men whether I thought there was any possibility of your taking the Chair of Hygiene if offered you.

With love to George and the children,

Sincerely yours,

W<sup>m</sup> Osler.

(\* The "new baby" refers to my younger son, Wm. Osler Abbott. A.C.A.)