

Get possession of 13 Norham Gardens Aug 1st and began
immediately with preparation.

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Aug. 4, (1906)

7, Norham Gardens,

Oxford

Dear Dr. Abbott,

I have had to give up my sailing today. I am in a mess with the contractor for the changes in a new house and as we have to give up this one Nov. 1st I must have the papers signed before I leave. I have transferred my passage to the 11th in the hope of having everything settled but as we only got possession of the place on the 1st it may not be possible in which case I cannot leave. I am so glad you have the section on animalis ready. What a worker you are. I have been very busy with a number of outside things & not much time for literary work. These last cuts you sent were very good.

In any case I would not be in Montreal until after the meeting and it would be a great pleasure to meet the collaborators. I will try to stir them up by letter. Do get Dr. Francis my nephew interested. I have urged him to help. He would be useful in proof reading &c as he has a keen eye for mistakes & literary form &c.

Hoping to see you soon.

Sincerely yours,

W^m Osler

What is the story about calling down a tree?