

(Oct.) 15th, (1908)

44 Ave. de Jéna.

15th [October]

Dear Jacobs;-

I have been thinking a great deal of you all & the Congress. I knew it would be a great success and you have had a splendid foreign representation. The meetings were fairly well reported & the Koch episode very fully. It is strange that he still clings to ^{his views} it in spite of all the overwhelming evidence against him. In the Figaro there was a growl from one of the Frenchmen about the bad arrangements for the meetings, but there must always be malcontents. . . .


I came here Oct. 1st and have been very busy finishing some articles for Allbutt's system. I have an élève of the Ecole des Chartes ^{Small e} who comes to me for three hours each afternoon to talk French and to go about. We have been doing the Library ^[Sorbonne?] very thoroughly & I have been looking into some things at the Bibliothèque Nationale. Boulanger says you have cleaned him out of all the good old books. I shall make a systematic inspection of the shops. . . .

We have been fortunate enough to get Marguerite Chapin's apartment for 3 months - delightfully situated and so cozy & with two splendid servants. Wonderful weather - not a cloud for weeks. I hope you have had the Alabama Student; a horrid thought comes over me - as you did not get the Linacre until late - that Miss Nichols has left your name from the new list which she made out. I will write and ask if it has not come. Do not buy it as I will order it at once. The Times and the Spectator have given very good reviews. The letter is greatly taken with Bassett who must have been a remarkable man.

The Edinburgh election is very doubtful; The political organizations are very powerful and they can get plenty of money from the liberal and conservative clubs, but the medical men write encouragingly. They had a regular riot the other evening. x x x

You will be enjoying the country. Let me hear how the building

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progresses.  Very good word of Isaac Walton who is with Mr. Merry & having a very good time. An old chap 80, an ^{uncle} old Surgeon to the Infirmary has left us £80000 so that we shall get a good lecture room and amphitheatre.

Love to Mrs. Jacobs.

Sincerely yours,

*Proboscis of the nose of his house in the Bch. Nat. was his letter
to the Athenaeum. This is inserted in his "bedside copy" of his letter. Printed
dated in Pencil Athenaeum Mar. 1906 probably by mistake. - cf. next page.*