

C o p y

44 Ave d'Jena

Paris

18th (?)

Dear Shattuck,

I am off for a brain-dusting. I have not had a winter free for 34 years & have long wished to see more of Paris & French medicine so I am here for 3 mos and then on to Italy & perhaps to America in time for the spring meetings. We have left the boy at school. My work at Oxford is arranged for very easily & we have left the house in order. We have a delightful apartment here - belonging to a niece of Harry Chapin's & hope to be most comfortable. Nothing has begun yet - not till Nov 1st. Meanwhile I am browsing in the Bib. Nationale and in the quais. . . You must come and see us at Oxford while term is on - dinner at Ch Ch with the old dons on Sunday, as Cheyne will tell you, is great fun. The snuff has been taken (& is taken) in the Oxford common rooms from the middle of the 17th century. I always insist that it shall be passed - 'tis too good a custom to be allowed to lapse. My good young friend Harvey - a don of 80 summers - carries three snuff boxes.

I am glad to hear that the boys are doing well. I am sure you will have great comfort with G. C. tertius or is it quartus. My love to Henry Bowditch when you see him.

I am glad you like the volume - I was a bit doubtful about putting those essays <sup>[An Alabama Student re]</sup> together but these are lives pour encourager les autres

Yours

Wm Osler

Love to G. B.