

NOTES FROM BOOKS

RECTORIAL CONTEST, EDINBURGH, 1908

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(Typewritten)

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My dear Osler,

I was away yesterday and therefore could not get a letter written to you upon the result of the Rectorial Election. Your supporters made a splendid fight against the political odds, and came within 200 of victory. A very little transference from Wyndham to yours would have made all the difference. I would like to congratulate you on the magic influence of your name, as I do not believe any other human being standing as an independent candidate could have shown anything like the same result. I have been wondering whether you would allow yourself to be put up next time as an independent conservative. If you did you would romp in.

Cunningham showed me the paper the other day, and I am exceedingly obliged by the kindness of yourself and him. I hope you are going to have a most pleasant winter in Paris.

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*Curious enough there has also been a triangular contest at Glasgow where the Unionist candidate was also returned and in a long editorial the Glasgow Herald of the following morning says -*