

(Mrs. Robt. Brewster)

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Canton

Sunday

Dear Mabel

Such a busy week! I sent you a clipping about the opening of the new building to which you & R.B. so generously subscribed. It is a great success. I had a splendid reception & it was such a pleasure to see all my old friends again. I saw Dr. Kerr twice. Physically he is better & looks so well, but he had gone "at the top" very much. The most serious trouble is an emotional state, which he cannot control, so that he bursts into tears when he sees his old friends. It is so distressing, and he feels so badly about it. The outlook is hopeless. The young Doctor is doing well & is evidently a fine fellow. Poor Mrs. Kerr is greatly disturbed as I fear the Doctor is at times not easy to manage.

I saw Lois who has got as far as the 2nd coat of paint on the President. I saw Mrs. Taft who spoke very hopefully about the picture. I did not see the President, who was golfing. Mrs. Osler writes that young Meigs (son of the Hill school Meigs) is engaged to the younger Averill girl - How he could have come to any decision between them I cannot imagine! Shall you be at (? Tabasco is it?) I have mislaid the address - on the 29th? I should like to spend the Saturday and Sunday with your daughter. I think she is a darling & you may well be pleased and proud. She must call me Uncle Osler & then the Doctor thought will be eliminated. I am looking forward with such pleasure to seeing you in England. I am afraid the summer may be wet. Mrs. Osler writes that they have not had rain since Easter.

Affectionately yours

Wm Osler

I return to Balt. on Friday
Phila Dr. Mitchells 24th
Univ Club N.Y. eve of 26th

Mrs. Revere sails on Tuesday - she seems so well