

Re: Museum Building and Teaching.Sept. 10, 1909. 13 *North*39 Dear Dr. Abbott:-
(Maude)

/ I have just returned from a holiday in Cornwall. I wrote you I think about the Strathcona gift, was it not splendid? I do hope that you will now be able to get the Museum in as short a time as possible.

I shall have a talk with Dr. Shepherd about the demonstration room, etc. for the museum, to which it should certainly be adjacent. It seems to me there is a great opportunity for a model scheme... After all the great use of the museum is for teaching, and you have been able to show how important this part is for the student. I think it would be better if I wrote fully and frankly to Dr. Adami. A nice small demonstration theatre could be used by a number of men for the clinico-pathological demonstrations. I know of no museum in which suitable provision is made for this work, and certainly there is an opportunity to show what can be done.

? Have you got that old specimen of mine of perforation of the aorta, formation of aneurysm, and perforation into the oesophagus? If so you could get Klotz or someone else to make a section of the edge and of the aorta in the neighbourhood, to determine the histological lesion. Then you speak of two other cases of the same character have they been studied histologically? I am giving a lecture on the 19th of October on ~~syphilis~~ and aneurysm, and I would like very much to have the reference early in the month... Have you photographs of any very striking specimens of syphilitic aortitis?

Dr. Peterson will be here next week, and I shall have a talk with him too on the museum question. Gardner also comes on the 15th. I think everything will go smoothly./

(Signed) Wm. Osler.