

(Handwriting)

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(Dr. Lewellys Barker)

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Dear Barker

I am afraid my suggestion of a few weeks ago has rather perturbed you - not having heard anything about it I fear you may be unable to make a decision satisfactory to yourself. I would like to withdraw the offer - In many ways it would be better for the Textbook if one man undertook the revision, but it would be a loss to me not to have the stimulus of work; and then I can understand your hesitancy about taking over another man's book. The financial details would have been difficult to arrange, and the sum named by an expert is such that I am sure the publishers - were they willing to entertain the proposal & were you to join - would not give. You too are probably far in your Diagnosis. It was nice to hear of you all from Mrs. Osler. Love to the family & to Miss Humpton.

Yours &c  
W Osler