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From the Regius Professor of Medicine, Oxford.

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Dear Billy,

I am sending you a couple of "Books and Men" snippets.

We are still marking time about our hospital for the Canadian Contingent. We have been disappointed in getting the Empire Hospital in Warwick Square, but the negotiations may be opened. We have been given a good Convalescent Home near Folkestone. Armour is in charge, and he has got three or four men promised. I do not believe that there is anything you could get in connection with it. There are only 75 beds at Folkestone, and, if we get the Empire, there are only 50 beds there. Medically, everything here is at a standstill, but the recruiting is going on actively, and the country on the whole is hopeful. Revere joins the Training Corps in October, and will apply for a commission as soon as he is ready.

What did you find out about the Canada Life Annuity? The question is whether, while stocks are so low, it would not be better to have the Toronto General Trust Company invest it and pay you the interest. It falls due in November, so let me know.

Give my love to Muriel's children.

Affectionately yours,

W.O.