

(Col. Birkett, O.C. McGill Unit)

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13, Norham Gardens,
Oxford.

Dear Birkett

I am delighted to hear that the McGill Unit has been accepted. By Jove it reads well in your report and should be #A 1. Should you get into a Typhoid district I shall come as a Super-Col. & Campbells Assistant. It is awfully good of you to offer to take Revere as your orderly. By the time you get over he will have had a good deal of training & could take messages. He is busy now working at French. Have you had any word direct from the war office here? Let me know if it would be worth while speaking to Keogh again. They are still very doubtful about the coast, tho. it works better every week. There has been great slackness during the past month. We have not been pressed here or at the American Hospital. The boys have had a deuce of a time at the Salisbury Camp - ~~Saw~~ soaked in rain & knee deep in mud. Findley (?) was here for a few days & Ellis from Toronto this week end. They have brought cerebro-spinal meningitis ~~of wh.~~ there have been about 30 cases. Greetings to Mrs. Birkett & yourself for the New Year.

Yours ever,

Wm Osler

Finley