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(Ac. K. Febs.) [Received in Nyon, Switzerland]..... So glad to have your letter from Gibraltar. Where is Nyon?... Garrison tells me of your plans at Washington which I hope you may carry out. Did they say anything at the J.H.H. about a lectureship on the History of Medicine? You could build up a great Dept. on Sudhoff's lines. Singer has made a good start here- a special alcove at the Camera with all the science history books segregated. Mrs S. is making a handlist of English med. Mss. and we have three special students at work. Unfortunately Singer has been called off so the work is interrupted. We hope to have ~~W.H.~~ Withington here next year. The material in Bodley is enormous- all sorts of treasures. I am still struggling with my incunabula address - to 1480 -. I get very little time but I think I have got a fairly complete list. Am dealing with the books as illustrating the outlook of the profession in the first 25 years of printing. I have been getting some treasures lately - the Ms. of the Gloucestershire Med. Society Transactions, largely in Jenner's hand, with two of his papers. Much interested too in Hecquet- the original of Dr. Sangrado. Am seeing a great deal of interest - I go to the Canadian Hospital Cliveden, every Monday, to ~~Shencliffe~~ ~~[?]~~ every ten days & once a fortnight to Pargaton [?] - the American Hospital. Revere joins Birkett ~~[?]~~ as the orderly officer of the McGill unit, 358, which comes over next week & will have one of the big base hospitals. He has been at Cliveden for three mos learning his job. We expect Harvey Cushing next week. What a fine Vesal celebration they had. We have postponed ours until Heger [of Brussels] can come..... A great haul at Bodley - 4000 books from Prof. Bywaters library - all before 1600 - such treasures, 56 de Thou bindings! A Melanchthon, de Anima with Rabelais' signature....

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