

From the Regius Professor of Medicine, Oxford.

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Dear Garrison,

Congratulations on the Billings book, which I have just finished having read it on the train on various trips during last week, chiefly to hospitals; and I could not help thinking very often how pleased Billings would be to see some of the arrangements over here. But the chief thought is how satisfactory after having lived so full alife to have a really suitable biography! I am sorry that neither Mitchell nor Cadwalader lived to read it, but you have the heartfelt thanks of all Billings' old friends. I do not see how you have finished it so rapidly, as it must have meant the analysis of an enormous amount of material. He was a 'big' man, and he certainly lived up to his opportunities. You have dealt very satisfactorily with A.M.A. row, in which Billings was treated with scant courtesy, but as you remark, he took it with great dignity. I am sure the family will be delighted, and the whole profession owes you a debt of gratitude.

Things are going satisfactorily here - a little difficulty about munitions, but the recruiting has been splendid and the men are really in fine form. The hospitals are full again, and the Canadians have been hard hit.

I am enclosing you a list of books I want. Perhaps there is some bookseller in Washington who could look them up for me.

By the way, did you find many letters from Windsor to Billings? I do not think you quite gave W. sufficient credit for the enormous help he was in the early days. I have heard Billings speak of it, and Windsor spent a week-end with me here shortly before his death and evidently Billings had given him carte-blanche. In certain wayes he knew more about books than any man I have ever met. He was devoted to Billings.

I had a nice letter from Klebs the other day. I wrote him a long letter in which I did not say "Gott strafe England".

Sincerely yours,

Many thanks for your kind words about my I.H.H. work.