

FROM THE REGIUS PROFESSOR OF MEDICINE

7 July 1915.

OXFORD

*Simon*

Dear Flexner:

I forgot to enclose you Gordon's letter.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) Wm. Osler.

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(Copy of letter from Doctor M. H. Gordon)

We have tried Vedder's starch agar and are very pleased with it. We find it improved by being made up with the trypsinised broth of Douglas (Lancet, October 10, 1914) instead of beef infusion.

As regards the present outbreak, we find that the meningococci so far tested do not agglutinate with Flexner's serum 1:50, nor with the Mulford serum, nor with the Pasteur Institute serum (anti-meningococcus or anti-parameningococcus).

Both the Lister Institute and Burroughs, Wellcome and Co. have been preparing serum from strains from our cases.

Doctor Robb sent me a letter asking for cultures for Flexner, but as his letter only arrived here on the morning that he sailed from Liverpool it was too late to get them to him so I wired him to get some from Professor Beattie to whom I had sent cultures a short time before.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) M. H. Gordon.