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[Lawrence]

Dear Lowell,

I have just come back from France, where I paid a visit to the Harvard Unit; and I am sure you will like to know my impressions. The quarters are good, tents of the fine Durbar variety, the wards are most attractive. At first patients were scanty, later, they have been numerous and many important cases have been treated. The Commandant, Sir Alan Perry, is a charming man who has done all in his power to make things run smoothly. The staff is A. 1. I saw the work in several of the departments, and could not but be impressed with the very valuable experience ^{it} has been for the men, so varied and so unusual. The X ray work is just what one could have expected from the well known expert of the M. G. H. The Dental men have been a revelation and I saw several cases of terrible mutilation of the face on the high road to repair. The nurses have done splendidly. I was delighted to meet them at a tea kindly given me by the matron. It was a peculiar pleasure to dine with the mess and to meet so many men of the younger generation, all of whom seem treading the footsteps of that great group - the Warrens, Jacksons, Bigelows and Bowditches - who made Harvard famous in the past.

I do hope arrangements have been made to continue the work. It would be a thousand pities if the younger men lost this unique opportunity.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) Wm. Osler.

P. S. No objection if you sent this to the Transcript, if you wish.