

(Dr. J. H. Pratt)

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13, Norham Gardens,
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Dear J.H.P.

That is a fine record! The papers came this morning & I have read them with the keenest interest. I am afraid one element you have not laid proper stress upon - your own personality. Confidence, faith counts for so much with these cases. The personal supervision & care is all important, and not taking too many cases. I will speak of your results at the annual meeting of our County association next week. Gout papers of course interest me - the incidence of the disease depends on the eyes of the doctor in charge of the hospital. I was told by a well known Scotch physician - "Oh, Gout has disappeared from Scotland!" I found tophi in two cases of his chronic rheumatic cases. The multiple gouty febrile arthritis is not uncommon here. I have seen two cases, both with tophi, in soldiers. All well. Revere we hope back in rest billets. His battery has been in action continuously since Oct. 1st.

Love to Rosamund & the children.

Ever yours

W^m Osler