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(To Gen. W. C. Gorgas)

FROM THE REGIUS PROFESSOR OF MEDICINE OXFORD.

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Dear Gorgas

I got back this eve from a four days trip to the American Hospitals in course of organization in the south of England & have had a wonderful time. Such a tonic! Winchester is nothing but a camp. As we passed in Friday a m we motored alongside of 3000 men marching to the docks. In the eve we saw the Olympic come in with 8000 men. In the Hursley Hospital were 40 (or 39) men with Typhoid all from one company, who apparently got the infection on ship-board. You will have had reports of the outbreak All were inoculated. There must have been some blunder somewhere. 'Tis a bad infection - typhoid, all so far. Every precaution is being taken & the men - and the work - are in good hands. The Moon Hill Rest Camp & Hospital is well organized & I had the pleasure of having tea with all the officers after a wonderful lecture by Kipling. Saturday we saw Searsbury Park in course of transformation, & a big Kentucky & Arkansas Unit from the Olympic unpacking in the old mansion. Sunday I officiated at the flag-raising for the Albany Unit at Portsmouth in a splendid building - the Asylum. Everyone is so enthusiastic about the fine appearance of the American boys. Love to you all

Yours

W^m Osler.