

Walt Whitman
Lectures

THE CITY TEMPLE
LONDON, E.C. 4
11th June, 1919.

Sir William Osler, Bart., M.D.,
13, Northam Gardens,
Oxford.

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Dear Sir,

The City Temple Literary Society,
Session 1919-20.
To W.H. Saunders, Esq. from W.O.

The above Society, whose activities were temporarily
suspended during the War, has now been revived under the
Presidentship of the Rev. J. Fort Newton, D.Litt., D.D.,
Oxford, and, therefore, in circumstances most favourable to the return
of its old prosperity.

Dear Sir,

In the preparation of the syllabus for the coming session
our attention is drawn to a lecture by a well-known
author on the subject of "A Centenary Address - Walt Whitman - with personal
Reminiscences". It is felt that the
inclusion of your name in our programme would greatly assist
this object, and I am glad to hear that you have
promised to give it. I am sure that you would be glad to accept
this invitation.

Sorry you have not a lantern.

Sincerely yours,

The Society, which expects to re-establish its former
large membership, will meet in the City Temple on Thursday of
each week during the session, at 7 p.m. If your engagements
permit, we should like your lecture to be delivered on the 4th
March 1920. Should this date be unamiable to you, perhaps
you would kindly suggest two or more alternative dates (Thurs-
days) between the 13th November and the 25th March 1920,
inclusive, from which we could make a selection.

For your subject we would take the liberty of suggesting
"Oliver Wendell Holmes," unless, of course, you would prefer
a different theme, and should you accept this cordial invita-
tion to address our Society I should be glad to know the title
of your lecture for insertion in the programme.

An early reply would be appreciated.

Yours faithfully,

Hon. Secretary.