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(To Dr. Wm. S. Thayer)

13, Norham Gardens, Oxford,
12. IX. 19.

Dear Thayer

? We missed you sadly - & badly, & you would have loved everything at Jersey. Such a lovely spot. We bathed every day, and loafed about on the rocks. What a find! Laennec letters are very scarce - very few in the Library of the École de Med. I have his necrologie of Bayle & two letters - bought in Paris 10 years ago. I am so glad you saw his home. The story of his early life is very pathetic. I hope R. will continue the life after 1806. Do stir up the Laennec Club, & have an evening & when they print the programme of the meeting see that the 'cut' of his head, which we had engraved, is used. On Oct. 15th at the Hist. Sect. of the R. S. M. I shall show all the Editions and speak of the influence of the Traité. I have not heard of any arrangements for a Paris celebration.

We were sorry to hear about your face. I had a similar experience in June, + an unpleasant stomatitis, like a Vincent, with membranous exudate. About the Med. Res. Com, I have not yet seen Sherrington, but I will stir him up. Do you know of the big B M A meeting at Cambridge next summer - end of July. Allbutt is President. I hope you may be able to come over. We hope to make it a great occasion.

You will have a great job getting the clinic in order. So glad to hear you have such good fellows to help. I am struggling with the revision of the text-book - new wine in the old bottles! but I am rewriting some sections & McCrae is helping. Did I ask whether you had seen the Cambridge History of Am. Literature Vols i & ii of which have appeared - excellent, - & all your old N. E. friends are very well described.

Grace sends love

Ever yours

Wm Osler

*Also the history of the Laboratory Club
in - name*