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Going west from Toronto to Hamilton, as you cross the Desjardin Canal at the head of Lake Ontario you catch a peep of a lovely valley, Cootes Paradise, the early settlers called it, rising gradually for three or four miles towards Ancaster and West Flamboro. Going West, the Grest Western Railroad climbs the north side of the valley and as the summit is reached there is a wide view of the Lake, of Burlington Bay and Hamilton, and below at the head of the Desjardin Canal, the flourishing town of Dundas, to which my father moved in 1857.\*

\*"The Future of the Medical Profession in Canada." 1918.

The Dundas Clipping from my archive -

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Dundas = The Valley City.

As one approaches from the east towards a view of the town in the valley the lake beyond to the east of the big closed Niagara Escarpment dipping away to the north, while westward is a panorama of great beauty and geological interest in the famous Kames, Morainic hills and glacial drumlinoids which fill the valley from the west end of ancient Lake Iroquois's borders to Copeland.

The approach from the east towards a panorama of rare beauty, the town in the valley, the lake and bay to the east while westward

As one approaches Dundas from the east there unfolds a panorama of rare beauty and unusual geological interest, <sup>the western end of ancient Lake Iroquois to the east</sup> ~~the town lies in the valley, the lake and bay to the east~~ the big closed Niagara Escarpment to the north while westward lie the famous Kames, Morainic hills and glacial drumlinoids.

E. Osler

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Dundas Sepm. 8th.

1865

My dear Willie

I can excuse you if you begin to think yourself in a small degree  
 You will feel disgusted at not having heard from home before this as you ought to have had a letter last week and the Paper, but as I told you before, you must never think I forget you when there is no letter at the time expected for you know I am generally pretty busy but not likely to neglect you wilfully. We were glad to get your letter telling of your safe arrival, as you said nothing to the contrary we may hope you felt all right, but I wish when you write you would remember just to say how you are. After all the bustle of the Bishop's visit, B B and Carrie's arrival home, Hennie being down for a fortnight, and our having the house pretty full all the summer we feel particularly quiet. Penn came too on Saturday--he left on Monday by train, Fanny, Mary and Charlotte the same morning by Boat, Frank driving them into Hamilton. Next morning Papa drove Hennie and Hal in to go down by Boat and now we are only just 4 in family. B B has been away two or three days so Carrie came up to sleep here. I hope Ellen Mary and Charlotte will be home some time next week for I miss them very much, but it will I think do them good to have had the change.

I cannot think of much news to send and Frank is too lazy to write if he could rake any up. When you write home next it would be well to enclose a note for him if you can find time to write it, the Paper will tell you of D. M. Mc Kenzie's wedding. G. Farmer was married the other day (Saturday I think) to Alice Milne. We had the Ancaster Picnic the week before last, it went off very pleasantly and since then the weather has been so hot we have scarcely known how to bear it, but today has come with a blessing of steady rain which will cheer the hearts of many who have had to drive their cattle miles to get a drop of water, in many places the wells have dried up, and the pastures are almost bare. You will be sorry to hear that our cow is dead, we think poisoned by drinking some of the stream water running near the Tannery impregnated with wome chemical preparation used about the skins. We shall not get another just now but buy our milk through the winter. I hope the old Dr. Ardagh may not be as ill as you say, when you see him tell him we desire to be kindly remembered to him and give my love to Mrs. Stewart who with her young lion-hearted boy and other members of the family I hope are well.

Our kind regards to the Checkleys and with best love dear Willie

I am ever  
 Your affectionate Mother  
 Ellen Osler

P. S. Has Walker sent your things up, and do they suit you? to bring home at Christmas.

Hennie - Hennie the Judge's wife  
 Fann. - Fanny the Judge's daughter  
 Fanny - Fanny Osler - a Lloyd town Cousin  
 Hal. - Hal. the Judge's first child  
 McMillen & Farmer - local characters  
 Dr. Ardagh - Barnie  
 Checkley - the Checkley School Barnie

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From J. E. Mayon to  
Dr. Gwyn  
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Who gave him his first teaching?

Where did he first go to school?

Where next?

X When did he go to Weston?

X Where was the house or rectory at which he with <sup>was</sup> Bovell in <sup>parents</sup> and Johnston? at Weston near the small church by the railroad track

Was he intended for the church,? I think not.

What diverted him?

When did you notice that he was interested in zoology <sup>when he was a boy at</sup> Weston, Mr. Johnson I think <sup>in planted & certainly "nursed"</sup> his "interest" scientific?

Was he apparently very advanced for his age? No

Where did he begin medicine?

When and where were the episodes of locking the geese in a school/ smoking out a land lord? I never heard of them; he certainly never spoke of them

What were the reports from his medical teachers in the first two <sup>1/2</sup> years?

No

Was he a class leader? a speaker? No

Was he given to speaking of his ambitions? of his plans? Never even to me, who was perhaps closer to him than anyone. He was quite ~~rather~~ self contained though not self centered, and really (though not always apparently) singularly devoid of conceit

Was he always a reader?

I do not know

DID he take his part in social side of things? in sports? Yes

What were your impressions of him as compared with B. B. with E. B. B. and the judge? Impulsive, yet logical, sometimes obstinate <sup>to a degree</sup>, mostly quite reasonable

over

always unassuming  
reserved, yet to a peer, (very few I think), almost demonstrative. Quite fearless,  
~~and~~ quietly undeterred by difficulties in his way, exceptionally constant  
in his friendships - So be very brief he was absolutely honest, pure, fearless  
and (after his young manhood at any rate) singularly unselfish

V. C. Morgan

I almost fear to write honestly of my love & admiration for him, boy or  
man, though he was far from faultless. The estimate above is I believe  
absolutely fair, unwarped by my affection - Would God we had a few more  
like him - Tom + Edmund, particularly the latter, I hardly knew at all

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COPY OF RESOLUTION

Passed by the Corporation of Trinity College,

8th. November 1864.

Proposed School Report of Committee:

The Committee appointed as to the proposed School made the following report:-

The Committee appointed to consider whether any steps should be taken to establish a school in connection with Trinity College, beg to report that they have had before them a proposal made by the Reverend W. A. Johnson of Weston, to establish a school at or near Weston, under the sanction of Trinity College, and under such regulations as to discipline and the course of study as the corporation of Trinity College may approve, the appointment of Masters being also subject to the approval of the corporation. Mr. Johnson is willing to make himself responsible for the expenses of the establishment, provided that he is aided by the approval and countenance of the corporation and authorized to advertise the connection of the School with the College; and also to state that annual examinations will be conducted by the Professors, and Prizes given by the Corporation. Mr. Johnson has further informed the Committee that he has at his disposal a sum of \$900 which he is prepared to employ in the purchase of school building or of a site as may be thought best to be vested in the Corporation of Trinity College. The Committee recommend the following resolution to be adopted by the Corporation. That the Corporation of Trinity College accept the proposal of the Reverend W. A. Johnson, with an acknowledgement of the disinterested zeal which it discovers in the cause of Church Education, and reappoints the Committee for the purpose of conferring with Mr. Johnson on the details of his plan, and with authority to take any such steps as in their judgment shall appear expedient.

Report and Resolution adopted.

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(sd) Sydney K. Jones

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