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JOHNSTONE, DR. R.W. EDINBURGH

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Wigmore St.

29 December 1916.

Dear Sirs,

I enclose herewith a cheque for the value of £1. 3s. 5d. for the model of Walker's Midwifery forceps which have duly come to hand.

Faithfully yours,

C.J.S.T.

Messrs. J. Gardner & Son,
32. Forrest Road,
Edinburgh.

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H.M.M.

29 December 1916.

Dear Sir,

Please accept our cordial thanks for so kindly having the model of Walker's midwifery forceps made for this Museum. I have duly received them from Messrs. Gardner & Son, and the model seems to be excellently made, and will quite answer our purpose.

I have today remitted the makers a cheque for the cost of same.

I had not seen these forceps before, and it will interest you to know that on comparing them with a pair we have in this Museum which were identified by Mr. Alban Doran as Chapman's forceps, I find they are exactly the same in design and measurements. Our pair is an original pair in steel, and is stamped on the lock with a large crown and a star which will probably be the maker's mark.

Any time when you are in London if you could make it convenient to call at this Museum, I should be pleased to show these to you, and I feel sure our collection of forceps would greatly interest you.

Thanking you for all the trouble you have taken in the matter,

Faithfully yours,

C.J.S.T.

Dr. R.W. Johnstone.

Johnstone

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Dear Sir,

You may recollect - that
on Sept: 17th. 1915 you
asked me to have an exact-
model of "Walker's forceps" in
our Univ. Obstetrical Museum
made for you. Owing to the
demands of the war the
model has only now been
finished, and will be sent-
to you by Messrs Gardner &
Son, the makers. It has been
made of brass castings
plated to look like steel -
this in order to save the
time & labour involved in

forging a model - and
incidentally the expense.
As the model is for museum
purposes & not for use
I saw no reason to object to
this & I hope you will
agree.

Messrs Gardner & Son will
send you a note of the
cost.

I am,

Yours very faithfully,

R. W. Downstone.

Assist. Prof. of Geology,
Univ. of Edinburgh.

H.M.M.

28 December 1915.

Dear Sir,

I desire to thank you for your kind letter of the 23rd, and note with pleasure that you are getting a model of the Walker midwifery forceps made for this Museum.

Thanking you very cordially for the trouble you have taken in the matter,

Faithfully yours,

C.J.S.T.

Dr. R.W. Johnstone,
10 Alva Street,
Edinburgh.

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Dear Sir,

Just a note - considerably
overdue I fear - to let you
know that as you requested
I am having a copy made
for your Museum of the Walker
midwifery truces in our
University Anatomical Museum.
When they will be completed
I have no idea, as the
surgical instrument matters
are, as you will understand,
snowed under with more
urgent matters.
But in the fullness of

time they will be sent
by me.

Yours faithfully,
R. Somerton.

Johnstone,

W.H.M.M.
Official.

Sept., 17th, 1915.

Dear Sir,

I desire to thank you for your kind letter of the 16th, inst. I see I made a clerical error in my letter to you in writing 'Walter' for 'Walker'; it was Dr. Walker's Forceps that I understand you have a specimen of in your Museum. They are figured in an article on "The Invention and Evolution of Midwifery Forceps", by Sir A.R. Simpson which was published in the 'Scottish Medical and Surgical Journal' for December 1900. On page 481 is an illustration with an inscription "Dr. Walker's Forceps, from a pair in the Edinburgh Obstetrical Museum. They are very interesting, for, as far as I know, and I have been investigating the subject very carefully during the last nine months, they are the only pair known.

You no doubt have a copy of the Journal for this date in your Library, if not, I will send you a photo of the page.

If you can identify them I shall be so grateful if you can have an exact model made from them for the Museum, at our expense. Our collection

Obstetrical Museum
Edinburgh.

here is a very large one comprising some 130 specimens and we are desirous
of filling in the gaps by models of those we have not got.

Faithfully yours,

C.J.S.T.

R. W. Johnston, Esq. M.D.

10 Alva Street,

Edinburgh.

Obstetrics

TELEPHONE
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10 ALVA STREET,
EDINBURGH.

16th Sept., 1915.

Dear Sir,

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Professor Sir Halliday Croom has handed to me your letter addressed to the Curator of the Obstetrical Museum, Edinburgh. There is really no such museum, but I have no doubt you mean the Obstetrical Museum of the University of Edinburgh, as we have supplied Mr Alban Doran with photographs on several occasions.

With regard to the ~~Walter's~~ forceps, I should be very happy to oblige you if we had them. To be perfectly frank I never heard of them or saw a plate of them, and if we have them, they are still unidentified. If you could tell me where to find a plate of them, or send me a rough sketch of them with measurements, I shall look through our collection and try to identify them. If we have them you can certainly have a model made.

Believe me

Yours very faithfully,

R. J. Dunstont. M.D.

J. S. Thompson, Esq.

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