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WALKER,
GILBERT!

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"^{Very} Claremont House ^{Documents}
12 St. Mary's Terrace
Paddington Green
W.

June 11th 1915

Dear Sir,

"Re Museum"

I'm nearing 80 & "Practice
has retired from me" so I'm
clearing out superfluous items
that I shall never use again.
Amongst them are 5 or 6 pairs of
"Everard's Forceps" — They were
the first of such instruments to be
made with "circular joints" &
are just venerated by
dentists, Everard's designs &
were so perfect of workmanship



unique - He made these
for me in 1858 & I expect
they are becoming scarce now -

Some time back you had
some items for your Museum
- of no intrinsic value - for which
you kindly sent me a cheque
for a guinea - It struck me
as possible you might like these
forceps - Unfortunately I'm
not able to offer them to you - as
I should like - for acceptance,
but would be quite willing to
accept a like sum -

If you would like to see
them I will forward them

by post for your inspection—

With compts

Yours truly

Gilbert Walker

(L.D.S., R.C.S., Eng 1860)

Mepps Bowroughs Welcome

Walker (Gilbert)

W.H.M.M.

June 14th, 1915.

Dear Sir,

I desire to thank you for your kind letter of the 11th inst. and for the offer of the Evrard's Forceps for the Museum. We already have a great number of specimens of Evrard's instruments, but if you would kindly send yours for inspection, I would be glad to compare them with those which we have, and, if yours are not duplicates, should be glad to have them.

Faithfully yours,

C.J.S.T.

Gilbert Walker, Esq.,

Claremont House,

12, St. Mary's Terrace,

Paddington Green, W.

WALKER, GILBERT

Walker (Gilbert)

28/11/13

Dear Sir;

I thank you for amended cheque -

In a few weeks as opportunity offers I will construct you a black plate - I expect the younger men of today will not be able to realize that such things could have been used -

I was one of the earliest workers in vulcanite dentures going through all kinds of experimental work under my old preceptor - That would be about 1858 -

I fancy I'm one of possibly 5 or 6 of the "1860 men", that is to say the first year a Dental Diploma was granted - I believe I was the youngest man to take that degree & as I'm now near 77 there can be but few remaining now - If my memory of ^{old} days & methods can assist you, call upon me unhesitatingly -

With comple^{ts} yours Truly Gilbert Walker

Received of Mr. C.J.S. Thompson

the sum of.....one.....pounds,

.....one.....shillings, and.....pence, being

payment for dentures, etc.

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Walker

WALKER, GILBERT, Esq
Refer also to 1915.
for other correspondence.

26 November 1913.

Dear Sir,

Please accept my apologies for the omission to sign the cheque forwarded to you last night, and which I return herewith.

I note with pleasure that should you come across any other pieces or dentures, you will kindly send them to the Museum.

We have no specimen of the black plates of about 1860, so should be very glad to have one.

Again thanking you for the trouble you have taken on our behalf,

I am,

Faithfully yours,

G. J. S. T.

Gilbert Walker Esq.,
"Clarendon House",
12, St. Mary's Terrace,
Paddington, W.

Walker

"
Claremont House"
12 St Mary's Terrace
Paddington
W.
Nov^r. 28th 1913

Dear Sir,

I thank you for
your cheque for a guinea
I consider you have
made an equitable estimate.

If I turn up anything
additional that I consider
as useful links in the
history of artificial dentures

an operative practice I
shall have pleasure in
presenting them for your
Museum —

If you have not a
sample of the preposterous
black plates of 1860 or so &
you kindly let me know,
I will make you one,
for I don't think your
selection can be considered
complete without that —

With compl.
yours Truly
Gilbert Walker

Dental

169, Old Mary's Church,
Paddington, W.

27 November 1913.

Dear Sir,

I desire to thank you for your kind letter of the 24th inst.

It is a long time since you lent us the small dentures for the Museum. Your loan consists of two small pieces and two bone dentures, which we shall be very glad to have. I also desire to thank you very heartily for the other little items, all of which will be of considerable interest and value to us in tracing the history of dentistry. I think a fair value for the whole of these items, which as you say are not of any intrinsic worth in themselves but are interesting from the medical point of view, would be £1-1-0. I therefore enclose a cheque for that amount for the objects we hold, and trust that this will be agreeable to you.

Again thanking you for your kindness and the trouble you have taken in the matter,

I am,

Faithfully yours,

Gilbert Walker Esq.,
"Claremont House",
12, St. Mary's Terrace,
Paddington, W.

P.S.

Nov^r 25th 1913

Having found some
of the articles I alluded to
I send them herewith -

The "pivot. tooth" I look upon
as a most interesting specimen,
that it should have lasted
for 30 years without the aid
of modern scientific discoveries
of antiseptics & cements speaks
well for "the good old days" -

I've an impression that I
have a specimen of a black

rubber denture & if ever
I come across it I will send
it on to you,

As I was retired from practice
through an unfortunate
accident, many of my
boxes have never been
unpacked since I came
here —

No kind of Messrs B. W.
to suggest "purchase", were
I to follow my inclinations
I should be only too pleased.

to present, but my circumstances
do not warrant my declining
their offer, I cannot, however,
feel able to fix any specific
amount. — Although there is
great interest in tracing the
progress of years, there
is no intrinsic value in
any of these items —

I will therefore ask
Messrs Broughs Welcome
to suggest what value
can be attached as carrying

out their Historic scheme,
I've no doubt I shall
be satisfied with their
views -

Wishing their Museum
every success & with
compts -

Yours truly

Edw. Walker

C. J. S. Thompson }



"Claremont House"
12 St Mary's Terrace
Paddington W.

Nov: 24th 1913

Dear Sir,

I thank you for yours
of 18th inst addressed to me at
"39 Cambridge Street W."

I remember sending Theodor
Burrows Welcome some time
for intending exhibition, but
as I've resided at above
address just six years, it must
have been even longer back

& I must confess I cannot
call to mind what I did
send — I've a vague
impression that they related
to dentistry of fifty years
ago or more —

I had an invitation to
visit your Museum, but
did not feel well enough
to avail myself of it —

As you intend to make
it a permanent institution

I think it probable I may
be able to send a few
more items of interest linking
up the past with the present,
that you may think worthy
of a place beside the
others; I will communicate
again in a few days with
your sanction.

With compl:

Yours truly

Gilbert Walker

C. J. S. Thompson Esq

Walker