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14 October 1915.

Dear Sir,

Your letter to Mr. Haslam, the secretary of the Wellcome Bureau of Scientific Research has been handed to me respecting the two skulls showing evidence of native trepanning that you so kindly lent to us. We still have them carefully preserved in the Museum where they always excite interest in the surgeons who visit us. We are most pleased to know that you will kindly lend them to us for a time longer, and you may rely upon us taking the greatest care of them while in our possession.

Again thanking you,

I am,

Faithfully yours,

C.J.S.T.

Rev. George Brown, Gordon, New South Wales, Australia.

Gordon, N. S. W., September 3, 1915.

E.M. Haslam, Esq.,
Secretary to the Wellcome Bureau of Scientific Research,
10 Henrietta Street,
Cavendish Square,
London, W.

Dear Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of July 16th with the accompanying photographs, for which please accept my thanks.

There are still in your possession two skulls of natives of New Ireland or New Britain showing the results of trephining operations. These were lent by me to your recent Exhibition. If they are of service or of interest at the present time I do not wish them to be returned at present, but you will find on reference to letters to Burroughs Wellcome & Co. that the skulls in question are only on loan

With very kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

(Signed) Geo. Brown.

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To Burroughs Wellcome & Co., Sydney.

# re: Historical Medical Museum.

Please thank the Rev. Dr. Brown of Gordon, N.S.W., for the thirteen phoographs and the paper which he read at the recent meeting of the Australian Association for the Advancement of Science.

We have read the paper with much interest and will return it to him shortly together with the photographs.

Mr.C.J.S.Thompson.

Re Wellcome Historical Exhibition.

We give you below copy of a memo received by this mail from B.W & Co. Sydney:
"Supplementing our letter of 17th March last, the other morning we had a visit from Dr.George Brown, of Gordon, N.S.W., and in discussing the matter of the paper which he sent us, we wrote him another letter. The following is a copy of his reply, which contains a necessary correction:
'Kinawanua' Gordon, N.S.W. April, 19th 1913.

Messrs. Burroughs Wellcome & Co. Sydney.

Dear Sirs,

Referring to your letter of yesterday's date received this morning I note that you describe the paper which I forwarded to you as one which was "read at the recent meeting of the Australasian Association for the Advancement of Science". This is not correct as the paper in question has not been read at any meeting. I translated the notes which were in my possession not because I considered them to be of any scientific value, but simply because I thought they might interest some of the visitors to the forthcoming Medical Exhibition.

With kind regards, Yours sincerely, (signed) GEO.BROWN. "

2nd June. 1913.

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From"

BURROUGHS WELLCOME & Co.,

BURROUGHS WELLCOME & Co.,

LONDON.

SYDNEY.

17th MARCH 1913.

Reference No H. 12/951. 6.

Re Letter Reference

Dated

# re WELLCOME HISTORICAL EXHIBITION.

We have received from the Rev. Dr. Brown, of Gordon, N.S.W., the attached thirteen (13) Photographs, and also the paper which he read at the resent meeting of the Australian Association for the Advancement of Science.

He is sending the photographs, as he thinks it may be of interest to Mr. Wellcome in connection with the exhibit.

Please return Photographs and Paper when finished with.

### DESCRIPTION OF OBJECTS OFFERED ON LOAN

#### for the

## HISTORICAL MEDICAL EXHIBITION, LONDON, 1913

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Two trepanned skulls.

## Memo from Revd Dr Brown

The above mentioned exhibit of two trohined skulls has been in the possession of Mr Wellcome, on loan, for some years and is insured by him. Please note corrections in address. There are two other Revd George Browns in this State. I am vey glad to know that the Exhibition is likely to prove a great success.

G.B.

MEMORANDUM.

From

BURROUGHS WELLCOME & CO.,

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To

BURROUGHS WELLCOME & CO.,

LONDON.

SYDNEY.

2nd August, 1910.

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H.11/62.

Your Memo. Reference Dated 29th JUNE, 1910.

Re Historical Medical Exhibition

We are in receipt of your memo as above, and shall duly communicate with Dr. Brown as you suggest.

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B.W.& Co., Sydney.

29th June 1910.

H.10/859.

12th May 1910.

## Re Historical Medical Exhibition.

Will you kindly inform the Reverend Dr. Brown that Mr. Wellcome has now decided to hold the Historical Medical Exhibition in 1913, when the International Medical Congress meets in London, and that we still hold the skulls he kindly loaned us in safety, and if he will kindly allow us to keep them until the Exhibition is over we will return them to him with the greatest care. Please thank him for the kindness and the patience he is showing us in the matter.

MEMORANDUM

ACK. ONLY.

B.

FROM

BURROUGHS WELLCOME & CO.

SYDNEY

Date 12th May 1910.

To

BURROUGHS WELLCOME & CO.

LONDON

Reference

H. 10/859.

Re Memo Reference

Dated

Re Historical Exhibition.

Below we give you copy of letter we have received from the Rev. Dr. George Brown, Gordon, North Sydney:-

COPY.

"Kinawanua",

Gordon,

April 27th 1910.

The Manager,

Burroughs Wellcome & Co.,

Dear Sir.

I lent two skulls some time ago to Messrs. Burroughs Wellcome & Co., for the purposes of an exhibition of medical products and primitive surgery which was to be carried out by them. The skulls in question were to be shewn as illustrating the practice of trephining by the natives of New Britain. They were to be returned to me in Sydney.

Will you kindly inform me whether the exhibition has been held and when I may expect to receive the exhibits which I forwarded, as I have not received any information whatever on the subject since I forwarded the exhibits.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely.

(Signed) George Brown.

Attached we hand you copy of the letter we sent to Dr. Brown in the above connection.

PIL.

11th May 1910.

Dear Sir,

Referring to your letter of the 29th ultimo. this has now been brought under the notice of our Manager and he states that, owing to the magnitude of the work involved in classifying and cataloguing the great number of exhibits which have been so kindly lent, the Historical Exhibition has not yet taken place.

It has now been definitely fixed for 1918, and by next mail we are sending forward copy of your letter to our London House.

Thanking you for your kindness,

We are, dear Sir, Yours faithfully,

per P.D.B.

Rev. Dr. George BROWN,
"Kinawanua,"
GORDON, North Sydney.

January 4th 1905

Book Sire,

the two trepanned skulls kindly leaned to us for the Historical Medical Exhibition by the Mev. J. Frown, Cordon, North Sylney.

No have written this dentlemen a letter of thanks.

lours truly,

Mesers Surroughs Welldome & Co., 481 Kent Street, Sydney, New South Wales.

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