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H.M.M.

2 November 1915.

Dear Sir,

Seeing your letter in the "Lancet" of this week's issue with reference to medical autographs, I am endeavouring to add as far as possible to the collection in this Museum, which has been recently arranged, and is in the process of being catalogued.

If you have any duplicates to spare that we have not got, we should be most grateful for them, or would give you some of our duplicates in exchange. Will you kindly let me have a list of these you can spare?

Thanking you in anticipation,

Faithfully yours,

C.J.S.T.

Dr. J.B. Hurry,
Westfield,
Reading.

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Westfield,
Reading.

4th. Nov. 1915.

C.J.S. Thompson, Esq.,

Dear Sir,

In reply to your letter I am glad to hear that you are forming a collection of Medical Autographs at your Museum.

We can let you have holographs of the following:-

Sir Lauder Brunton. —
Sir Richard Godlee. —
Sir William Osler.
Sir D. Duckworth. —
Mr. Wardrop.
George Lawson.
Mr. D'Arcy Power.
Sir James Paget. —
Sir William Bowman. —
Lord Lister. —
J.S. Billings.
Sir Benjamin Brodie. —
Sir Samuel Wilkes. —
W.B. Costello.
Charles West. —
Sir Spencer Wells. —
Sir Prescott Hewett. —
C. Chadwick.
Sir Richard Quain. —
J.F. Payne. —
Dr. Matthews Duncan. —
Sir Clifford Allbutt. —
Professor Ewald. —

We have also duplicate autographs of:-

Sir Wm. Lawrence. —
A.B. Garrod. —
Sir Benjamin Brodie. —
Spencer Wells. —
Alexander Ogston. —
Weir Mitchell. —
Samuel Gee. —

I shall be glad to have a list of duplicates that you may have to spare.

Yours faithfully,

J. H. Hurry

H.M.M.

9 November 1915.

Dear Sir,

I desire to thank you for your kind letter of the 4th inst. with reference to the medical autographs. We should be glad to have the following holographs to add to our collection in this Museum:-

Sir Lander Brunton.
Sir Rickman Godlee.
Sir Dyce Duckworth.
Sir James Paget.
Sir William Bowman.
Lord Lister.
Sir Benjamin Brodie.
Sir Samuel Wilks.
Sir Spencer Wells.
Sir Prescott Hewett.
Sir Richard Quain.
J.F. Payne.
Dr. Matthews Duncan.
Sir Clifford Allbutt.

Also the autographs of:-

Sir Wm. Lawrence.
A.B. Garrod.
Sir Benjamin Brodie.
Dr. Weir Mitchell.

For these we could give you in exchange holographs of the following:-

H.W. Dewhurst, surgeon to the Duke of Sussex.
J.F. Guthrie, F.R.S., surgeon to Barts.
Dr. Thomas Hancock.
Sir William Jenner.
Dr. John Johnson, F.R.S.
R. Keate.
C. Ashton Key, F.R.S.
Dr. J. Lee.
Dr. J.C. Lettson.
Dr. W.G. Maton, F.R.S.
Dr. Edward Monro.
Dr. William Nesbit.
Sir J.E. Smith, M.D.
Dr. A.D. Stone, physician to Charter House.
Dr. R.A. Stafford, surgeon to Marylebone Infirmary
Dr. Joseph Walker, surgeon to George IV.
Dr. B. Waterhouse.
Dr. Robert Wilmot.

These are all of the early 19th century.

Faithfully yours,

C.J.S.T.

Dr. J.B. Hurry,
Westfield,
Reading.

TELEPHONE No. 1168.

Wexfield,
Reading.

12th. Nov. 1915.

C.J. Thompson, Esq.,

Dear Sir,

I herewith enclose most of the holographs and autographs for which you ask. I find, however, that two or three others from living physicians deal with personal matters, and I think it injudicious at present to send them to you.

In reference to Lord Lister's holograph I am willing to send you it if you have no letter from him; but if you already have a copy I think I must keep the one we have got.

In regard to the list of holographs you kindly offer, a number of them belong to persons who seem to me ^{to be} ~~are~~ but little known, and our object is to collect the holographs mainly of men who have advanced the science of medicine and therefore been benefactors to humanity; but I should be glad to have the autographs of J.F. Guthrie, Sir William Jenner, C. Aston Key, J.C. Lettsom, Joseph Walker and Edward Munro[#].

I was at your museum for a few minutes yesterday and was ~~am~~ charmed with the way in which your holographs are preserved. I ventured to suggest to your assistant that a collection of the badges of medical societies would be an interesting addition. Doubtless you could get casts of the more important ones.

Yours faithfully,

J. B. Hurry

List of Holographs sent to Dr. Hurry, Nov. 18th 1915.

Letter from W. Jenner to Mrs. West. Jan. 1. 1863.

Letter from ^{G.J.}~~E.~~ Guthrie Jan. 15. 1834.

Letter from Joshua Walker to Pettigrew. Oct. 22. 1816

Letter from Edward Monro to Pettigrew. March 23. 1831.

Letter from Richard Bright. June 17th 1828.

Letter from C. Bell. No. 85 (no date).

H.M.M.

18 November 1915.

Dear Sir,

Many thanks for yours of the 15th inst. enclosing the twelve holographs and autographs which you have kindly sent to add to our collection at this Museum. I much regret I was not in when you called the other day, as I should have liked to have seen you.

I am enclosing you herewith four of the holographs you have selected from the list I sent you, i.e. Guthrie, Jenner, Walker and Monroe. I much regret that the names of Aston Key and Lettson were placed on the list in error, and instead of these I am enclosing the holographs of C. Bell and Richard Bright.

I am pleased to know that you think our method of showing the collection here is a practical and useful one. I will make a note of your kind suggestion respecting the badges of medical societies. A collection of them would be most interesting, and I will try and obtain the originals wherever possible.

Any time when you are in this neighbourhood and can spare a few minutes, I shall be glad to see you.

Faithfully yours,
C.J.S.T.

Dr. J.B.Hurry.

TELEPHONE No. 1168.

Westfield,
Reading.

19th. Nov. 1915.

C.J. Thompson, Esq.,

Dear Sir,

Many thanks for the parcel of holographs received this morning.
They are very acceptable for our Album.

I hope to have the pleasure of calling on you when next in
your neighbourhood.

Yours sincerely,

Samuel H. Hurry

TELEPHONE No. 1188.

Westfield,
Reading.

7th. Sept. 1916.

The Secretary,
Historical Museum of Medicine.

Dear Sir,

There has lately come into my possession a M.S. volume of medical prescriptions about 100 years old, and wonder whether you would care to place it in your Museum. If so, I shall be happy to present it for such a purpose.

It seems to me your museum would be wise to make a collection of such prescriptions ~~in such~~ volumes, say at intervals of 25 or 50 years, for they would throw much light on the frequency with which certain drugs were used in practice and illustrate the prevalence of fashion in medicine.

I am sorry I have not yet been able to look in and see you.

Yours very truly,

J. B. Hurry

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H.M.M.

5 October 1916.

Dear Sir,

I have just received your kind letter of the 7th ult. on my return to London, and hasten to thank you for your kind offer of the MS. volume of prescriptions. We shall be most pleased to have it to place in the Museum.

We have been collecting old medical prescriptions for many years, and have a case in the section of Pharmacy showing a large number back to the 17th century. We are always glad to add to the collection, and should greatly appreciate the addition of your volume.

I trust you will be able to call in and see me the next time you are in town, as we have just now a special exhibition of medical interest, illustrating the Folk-Lore of London, of which I enclose you particulars.

With many thanks for your kindness,

Faithfully yours,

C.J.S.T.

Dr. J.B. Hurry,
Westfield, Reading.

TELEPHONE No. 1169.

Westfield,
Reading.

7th. Oct. 1916.

C.J. Thompson, *Esq.*,
Wellcome Medical Museum.

Dear Sir,

I am much obliged by your letter of the 5th, and herewith
send you the manuscript volume of prescriptions. The collection
of such ^{*Volumes*} that you are making will in course of time be of great
interest.

I am much fascinated with the exhibition of the Folk Lore
of London which you have on view, and hope to look in and see
it as well as to see you on the first opportunity.

With many congratulations on the good work you are doing.

Yours very truly,

J. B. Hurry

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Mr. J. H. Johnson, L. D.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir,

I am much obliged by your letter of the 21st inst. and in reply

to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities.

Very respectfully,
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W.H.M.M. Off.

Oct. 10. 1916

Dear Sir,

Please accept our cordial thanks for the old prescription book of the 18th century which you have so kindly presented to this Museum. On a hurried glance through it the entries appear to be most interesting from many points of view and I can assure you we much appreciate this valuable addition to our collection.

I am glad to note that you are interested in the exhibition of the Folk Lore of London and trust you will be able to call in and see it the first time you are in London. If you will ask for me when you come or let me know the day before your visit, I will make a point of being in to show you anything of special interest.

Faithfully yours,

Dr. H.B. Hurry,
Westfield,
Reading.