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20 January 1915.

Dear Dr. Comrie,

I have just heard from Professor Stephens of the Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine, who was particularly wanting the portrait of the Countess of Chinchon. He says, "As the books in the Advocates' Library belong to the Countess's father, I do not think that it is, on the whole, likely that they will contain a portrait of the Countess's youngest daughter, so at present I do not think that a search through these books would be likely to lead to any definite result. Still as a last hope one might do this at some future time."

I will therefore leave the matter in his hands to communicate with the Librarian of the Advocates' Library when he thinks fit.

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

Faithfully yours,

C.J.S.T.

H.M.M.

Copy of post card sent to Dr. Comrie.

11 Jan. 1915.

Many thanks for your kind letter of the 9th, and for the interesting pamphlet on Edinburgh Medicine of 70 years ago. I am much obliged for the trouble you are taking in the matter.

C.J.S.T.

H.M.M.

7 January 1915.

Dear Dr. Comrie,

We are very desirous of finding a portrait of the Countess of Chinchon (Lady Ana de Osorio), from whom cinchona bark takes its name. After a long search I have been unable to find any trace of one in London, and have written to friends in Portugal and Spain to try and track one there, but it appears that the ancestral home of the family was pillaged at the time of the Peninsular Wars, and I am informed a number of the books from the library of the countess's father were saved, and eventually found a home in the Advocate's Library at Edinburgh.

It has occurred to me that there might possibly be an engraving or portrait of this lady also in the Advocate's Library. Do you think you could interest the librarian to make a search for us to see if he can discover one? It is probable that you know him personally, and he might do it for you.

Trusting you are keeping well, and with all good wishes for the New Year,

With kind regards,

Faithfully yours,

Courie.

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I have written
to Mr. Dickson the Librarian
at the Advocates Library
asking him to get me
the information about
the Countess of Chinchon.
I shall
write you again when I
hear from him.

I cannot remember whether
I ever replied to a request
from you to return any
books I had borrowed
from Mr. Wellcome's library.
Any way, I returned a
French translation of
Hippocrates (illustrated),
which I had, almost
at once after the closing
of the Museum — I think
about October 1913.

With kindest regards
and all good wishes
for the coming year I am
Yours truly
John D. Cowdell.

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programme of the
graduation ceremony
of to-day; from which
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greatly - appreciated prizes
were presented by the
Vice-Chancellor to the

winners in due form.

It may interest you that the Gold
Medallist comes from S. Africa, the Silver Medallist
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With kind regards,

Yours truly

John D. Course.

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may interest you.

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 PALMER, HUGH SALISBURY, England.
- 80 PHILIP, COLIN CAMERON, Scotland.

- PIRIE, GEORGE STEPHEN, South Africa.
 POWER, REGINALD (B.E. Sydney), Australia.
PRINGLE, JOHN MILLIE, Scotland.
 RAZAKHAN, MIRZA, India.
- 85 RIPPINER, HENRY ANTHONY, England.
 RITCHIE, ROBERT LINTON, Scotland.
 ROBINS, HENRY CHARLES, Jamaica.
 SAND, CHARLES, South Africa.
 SHAW, ARCHIBALD CAMPBELL, Ireland.
- 90 SHAW, HUGH KIRKLAND, Scotland.
 SHIRES, BERTRAM, England.
 SIMSON, HENRY JOHN, Australia.
 SINDERSON, HARRY CHAPMAN, England.
 SMART, THOMAS WILLIAM, England.
- 95 **Smith, Alexander Hugh Dickson**, Wales.
 SMITH, DAVID MORRISON, Scotland. (*In absentia*.)
 TAYLOR, ALFRED SQUIRE, Ireland.
 TAYLOR, JOHN SUTHERLAND, Scotland.
 THERON, ANDREAS BERNHARDUS, South Africa.
- 100 THOMSON, ANDREW RUTHERFORD (B.A. Manitoba), Canada.
THOMSON, ROBERT ORR COLQUHOUN, Scotland.
 THORP, ROLAND, England.
 TILLYARD, FREDERICK EDWARD, England.
 TOIT, PIERRE DU, South Africa.
- 105 WALTON, JANET PARK, Scotland.
 WAN, CHIK HING, China.
 WELPLY, HENRY DONALD, Ireland.
 WHITE, HORACE POWELL WINSBURY, New Zealand.
 WILLIAMSON, GEORGE SCOTT, Scotland.
- 110 **Wishart, David Garrick**, Scotland.
 WOOLER, ERNEST WILLIAM NOWELL, England.
 WOUDBERG, PETER CLARK VICTOR, South Africa.
 WRIGHT, BERTRAM ERNEST, New Zealand.
 YATES, GEORGE DOUGAL, England.
- 115 YOUNG, JOHN BENSON, England.

The following Candidates are recommended to receive
**THE DIPLOMA IN TROPICAL MEDICINE AND
 HYGIENE.**

BORTHWICK, GEORGE ARTHUR, M.B., Ch.B.
 FINK, LAURENCE GEORGE, M.B., C.M.
 MACKENZIE, WILLIAM, M.B., Ch.B.
 MARTIN, DOUGLAS, M.B., Ch.B.
 MITRA, SATYENDRA LAL, M.B., Ch.B.
 RAO, STEPHEN RAMCHANDRA, F.R.C.S. Ed.

**AWARDS OF FELLOWSHIPS, SCHOLARSHIPS,
 PRIZES, &c.**

THESIS GOLD MEDALLISTS.

JOHN DONALD GUNN, B.A., M.D.
 SYDNEY ALFRED SMITH, M.D.
 LEONARD STEPHEN WILLOX, M.D.

The **CAMERON PRIZE IN PRACTICAL
 THERAPEUTICS** has been awarded to

Professor PAUL EHRLICH,

Director of the Royal Institution for Practical Therapeutics,
 Frankfurt,

for his discovery of Salvarsan, and its valuable Therapeutic effects in Syphilis, and
 also for his researches on numerous Synthetic Organic Compounds of Arsenic,
 and on Immunity.

**The GUNNING VICTORIA JUBILEE PRIZE in
Forensic Medicine.**

SYDNEY ALFRED SMITH, M.D.

The ETTLES SCHOLARSHIP.

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Clinical Surgery.**

DOUGLAS JAMES GLEN, M.B., Ch.B.

The M'COSH GRADUATE'S AND MEDICAL BURSARIES.

ROBERT GEORGE BANNERMAN, M.A., M.B., Ch.B.

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PETER MACCALLUM, M.A., M.Sc., M.B., Ch.B.

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The CONAN DOYLE PRIZE.

CHARLES PIETER MARAIS JOUBERT, M.B., Ch.B.

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ION KEITH-FALCONER MACLEOD, M.B., Ch.B.

The BUCHANAN SCHOLARSHIP in Gynecology.

PETER MACCALLUM, M.A., M.Sc., M.B., Ch.B.

The JAMES SCOTT SCHOLARSHIP in Midwifery.

ANDREAS BERNHARDUS THERON, M.B., Ch.B.

The DOROTHY GILFILLAN MEMORIAL PRIZE.

GERTRUDE MARIAN AMALIE HERZFELD, M.B., Ch.B.

The WELLCOME MEDALS in the History of Medicine.

Gold Medal—JOSEPH SCHNEIDER.

Silver Medal—WILLIAM EVERETT.

The PATTISON PRIZE in Clinical Surgery.

ANDREW JAMES CAIRD, M.A., } *equal.*
WILLIAM GOLDIE, M.A., }

The WIGHTMAN PRIZE in Clinical Medicine.

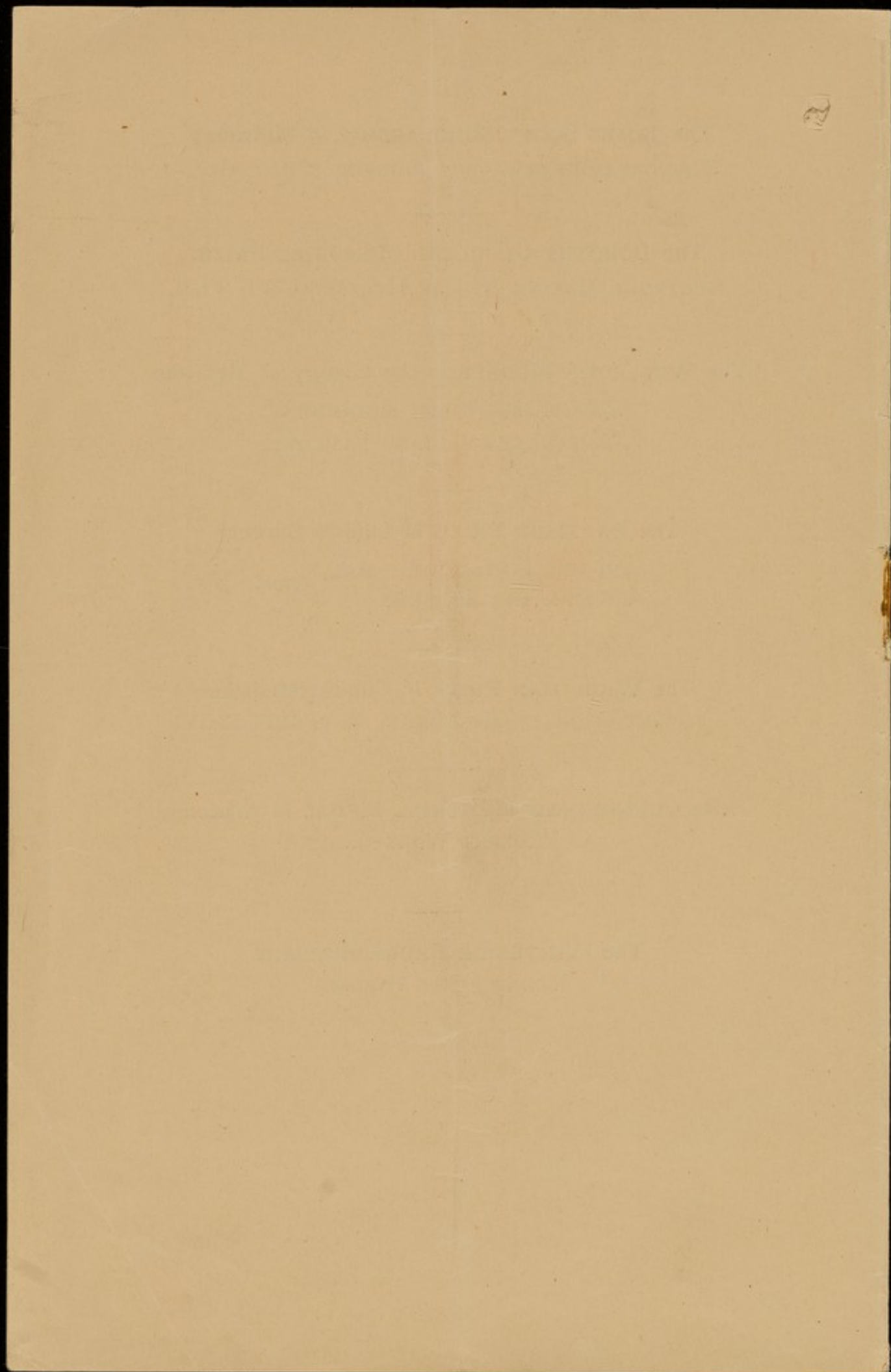
ROBERT GEORGE BANNERMAN, M.A., M.B., Ch.B.

The CUNNINGHAM MEMORIAL MEDAL in Anatomy.

ROBERT WALKER.

The WHITESIDE BRUCE BURSARY.

HENRY JAMES PARISH.



Handwritten signature

22 June 1914.

Dear Dr. Comrie,

I have a note that in the early part of last year we lent you some books on early Greek medicine, and I cannot trace having received them back. I should be glad if you would kindly let me know if you still have them. If so, would you be good enough to return them to us here at your early convenience.

Thanking you in anticipation and with kind regards,

I am,

Faithfully yours,

C. T.

TELEPHONE NO 2035
CONSULTING HOURS
8-9 A.M.
1-30-2.30 P.M.

25 MANOR PLACE,
EDINBURGH.

9th January, 1914.

Dr. Andrew Balfour, C.M.G.,
54 Wigmore Street,
L o n d o n. W.

My dear Balfour,

I have just got back from Berlin, but I am sorry I was so pushed for time as I passed through London that I had not time to come and see you again. I trust you may have a very pleasant and successful trip to South America. I enclose a prospectus just received with regard to the British Medical Association meeting in July 1914, at Aberdeen. You will note that they are anxious to have an exhibit of ancient and historical surgical instruments.

It seems to me that this would be a fine opportunity for an exercise of the functions of Mr Wellcome's admirable museum. A few cases of instructive exhibits regarding history of instruments might easily be loaned. If this appeals to you I should be very glad to help in any way I can, as such an exhibit would, I think, help the history of medicine in Scotland very much.

With best wishes for the New Year,

Yours very truly,

John D. Currie

Balfour

BRITISH MEDICAL ASSOCIATION.

ANNUAL MEETING, JULY, 1914.

PATHOLOGICAL MUSEUM.

<i>Chairman</i>	.	.	.	G. M. DUNCAN, M.B., C.M.
<i>Hon. Secs.</i>	.	.	.	{ A. W. FALCONER, M.D., M.R.C.P.
				{ WM. ANDERSON, M.B., F.R.C.S. Ed.

DEAR SIR,

The Committee appointed to organize the Pathological Museum in connexion with the Annual Meeting in July, 1914, propose to arrange the material under the following heads :—

- (i) Exhibits bearing on discussions and papers in the various sections ;
- (ii) Specimens and illustrations relating to any recent research work ;
- (iii) Instruments relating to clinical diagnosis and pathological investigation ;
- (iv) Individual specimens of special interest or a series illustrating some special subject.

It is also proposed to make an effort to gather together a series of exhibits relating to the Pathology of the Circulatory System and the Ductless Glands ; effect of Radium on Malignant Growths ; Pyelo-radiography and X-Ray photographs of Brain, Skull, Gall-stones ; ancient and historical Surgical Instruments.

The Committee wish it to be understood that the above are only suggestions, and if there is any subject in which you are specially interested, and can supply interesting specimens, they will be welcomed.

The museum will occupy a central position in the same building as that in which the sectional work is carried on, and will be easy of access.

The Committee desire to enlist your hearty co-operation, and we shall be glad to hear from you if you are able to make an exhibit or suggest anyone who is able to do so. Every care will be taken of specimens, and the contents of the museum will be insured.

It is hoped that it will be possible for arrangements to be made whereby exhibitors may have an opportunity of demonstrating their specimens.

Yours faithfully,

A. W. FALCONER,
WM. ANDERSON,

Hon. Secretaries.

PATHOLOGICAL DEPARTMENT,
MARISCHAL COLLEGE,

ABERDEEN, 24th Dec., 1913.

TELEPHONE NO 2038
CONSULTING HOURS
8-9 A.M.
1-30-230 P.M.

Henry S. Wellcome Esq.,
54a Wigmore Street,
LONDON W.

25 MANOR PLACE,

EDINBURGH.

17th December 1913.

Dear Sir,

XVII International Congress of Medicine, Section XXIII

If you have not already done so would you please
send the blocks for papers by Dr. Ray and Mr. Buxton and also
those for papers by yourself to

The Managers

Oxford Press Warehouse

Falcon Square

LONDON E.C.

Yours truly,

John D. Cousin
Editor of Transactions.

DEVON VALLEY
LONDON E.C.
PATENT
The following

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those for which it is intended to
and the price for which it is sold and
it is not yet known as to whether it will
XVII International Congress of Medicine, Section XVII
best etc.

LONDON E.C.
25 Abchurch Lane
London E.C. 4

12th December 1912

COMMONS
HOUSE OF COMMONS

TELEPHONE NO. 4782.

XVII International Congress of
Medicine.

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HON. SECRETARY.

JOHN D. COMRIE, M.D., F.R.C.P.E.

SECRETARY.

GEORGE BUCKLE.

UNIVERSITY NEW BUILDINGS.

Edinburgh, 17th Sep. 1913.

Dear Mr. Wellcome,

I note that you have forwarded
the blocks for the papers of Dr. Ray, yourself,
and another to the Oxford Press direct.

I shall see that final proofs
are sent to you and to Dr. Ray in
due course.

Yours truly
John D. Comrie.

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TELEPHONE NO 2038
CONSULTING HOURS
8-9 A.M.
1-30-2-30 P.M.

16/10/13.
25 MANOR PLACE,
EDINBURGH.

Dear Mr. Thompson,

I am returning
Daremborg's Hippocrates
by parcel post and thank
you for the loan. I am
sorry to find I have retained
the volumes so long.

I met Professor
Littlejohn two days ago.
He had been expecting
to hear from you about
some man who was

studying Anthropology with
a view to possibly going
out to the Sudan.

With kind regards

Yours truly
John L. Cowser

John L. Cowser

21 August 1913.

Dear Dr. Comrie,

Many thanks for your kind letter of the 20th inst.
With respect to the drawings illustrating my paper, as they
are such a small matter, it would perhaps be best if you
had the blocks made, but should you find any difficulty,
if you will return them to me I will have it done.

With kind regards,

I am,

Faithfully yours,

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JOHN D. COMRIE, M.D., F.R.C.P.E.

SECRETARY.
GEORGE BUCKLE.

UNIVERSITY NEW BUILDINGS.

Edinburgh, 20/8/1913.

Dear Mr. Thompson,

My thanks for your letter of 19th inst.
I have already received back the corrected
proof from Dr. Ray.

Shall I return your drawings
to have blocks made.

I quite agree with you that
individual authors should supply their
own blocks if there is going to be any
difficulty about this.

With kind regards

Yours truly

John D. Comrie.

! There is no great hurry about the corrected
proof as much has still to be set up
for the first time.

Comrie

18 August 1913.

Dear Dr. Comrie,

Many thanks for your kind letter of the 16th inst. I hope to forward Mr. Wellcome's paper to you in a few days time, also the paper by Dr. Ray and Mr. Dudley Burton, together with the photographs for illustrating the papers.

Mr. Wellcome asked me to say that he would like to supply his own blocks so that he will know they are as perfect as possible. He trusts that the Committee will decide that illustrations are permissible for all the papers, as in his opinion it will seriously impair their usefulness if it is decided to delete the illustrations. He suggests that each author should pay for his own blocks if there is any question of expense. He is having his blocks made to illustrate the paper, and as soon as they are ready, I will forward ~~them~~ ^{them} on to you with as little delay as possible.

Many thanks for your appreciative remarks on my paper which I wish you could have heard. I shall be very pleased to show you

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all the coloured illustrations and some original specimens of the Terra Sigillata when you next come to town. I propose to put them all together to make a special exhibit for the Museum when time will permit.

With kind regards,

Faithfully yours,

Bowie

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HON. SECRETARY.

JOHN D. COMRIE, M.D., F.R.C.P.E.

SECRETARY.

JOHN STIRTON.

25 Manor Place,

UNIVERSITY NEW BUILDINGS.

Edinburgh, 16/8/1913.

Dear Mr. Thompson,

I have to acknowledge receipt of the returned proof and the figures. The Transactions will take a long time to appear because I have just heard that the question of illustrations is not to be considered by the general committee till October.

I shall be glad to receive Mr. Wellcome's proof at your convenience.

I regret very much that I did not see your coloured illustrations which must have been very interesting. The paper is of intense interest.

I had to leave London on Saturday night partly for a professional engagement and also because of the Postgraduate Course running this week in Edinburgh.

With kind regards and hoping to have the pleasure of meeting you soon after.

Yours truly

John D. Comrie.

H.M.M.

14 August 1913.

Dear Dr. Comrie,

Enclosed please find the proof of my paper on 'Terra Sigillata', corrected for the proceedings of the International Congress of Medicine, together with photographs for making blocks for the illustrations. I have marked in the margin of the proof where these blocks should be inserted in the text.

I will forward the proof of Mr. Wellcome's paper to you corrected with photographs, in the course of a day or two.

Trusting you are well,

With kind regards,

Faithfully yours,

C.J.S.T.

Comrie

TELEPHONE No 2038
CONSULTING HOURS
8-9 A.M.
1-30-2-30 P.M.

Comme

8th Nov. 1913.

25 MANOR PLACE,
EDINBURGH.

Dear Mr. Thompson,

Will you please
send all the things
which I borrowed on
behalf of your museum
to me

% Messrs Gardner & Son,
Surgical Instrument Makers,
Forrest Road
Edinburgh.

They have agreed
to unpack them and
to distribute them to

their respective owners.

The Museum has
been altogether a great
success. You will
be glad of a rest
however I have no
doubt.

With kind regards,

Yours truly

John D. Cowrie

P.S. will you please send me
a note also of the articles
packed so as to avoid
any mistake of leaving them
in their wrappings.

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7 November 1913.

Dear Dr. Comrie,

We are packing all the objects which you were kindly instrumental in sending to the Historical Medical Museum from Edinburgh. Will you kindly let me know by an early post if they should be directed to you or to the Royal College of Physicians. Directly I hear from you I will forward them carriage paid to the address you give.

Trusting you are well and with kind regards,

I am,

Faithfully yours,

C. J. S. T.

Dr. Comrie,
25 Manor Place,
Edinburgh.

Comrie

W.S. BROCKMAN,
PROPRIETOR.

4th Aug. 1813.
GRAND HOTEL,
FRINTON ON SEA,
ESSEX.

TELEPHONE NO 12 FRINTON.

Dear Mr. Thompson,

I have had a letter
from Messrs Gardner
and Son who packed the
Instruments, &c., forwarded
to you at 54 Wigmore
Street.

They enclose a list
of articles packed and I
have ticked off the
articles which I saw in

London.

Please note that Sir
J. Y. Simpson's Perforator,
Cranioclast, and Cephalo-
tribe were missing when
I saw you; and see
what Messrs Gardner say
in their letter.

I cannot think that
the "Box with other instruments"
is.

Yours very truly
John D. Cowrie

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS "FORCEPS, EDINBURGH"

TELEPHONE NO 747.



J. GARDNER & SON.

Please retain meantime & return to D. Crombie later.

Dist. C. S. G.

32, Forrest Road,

Edinburgh

2nd August 1913.

Dr Crombie,
Essex.

Dear Sir,

We are to day in receipt of your letter of the 31st ult., and cannot understand how you have not received the instruments mentioned, as they were packed in brown paper, and put in the box along with the other articles. We enclose a list of what was put in the box, and we fear this parcel must have been overlooked by the party unpacking the box. Please get them to examine the box, and packing again, and we know they will find it there. We are glad that the other things arrived safely as we were anxious about the picture and some of the fragile exhibits.

We remain,

Yours truly,

pro J. Gardner & Son.

*Perforated
Ground
by circular
with further
not received
3 instruments*



J. GARDNER & SON.

Dist

32, Forrest Road,
Edinburgh

To

FROM ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS.

- Oil Painting.
- ✓ — Fracture of Skull, in glass dish.
- ✓ — Liston's Amputating Knives.
- ✓ — Original Hypo Syringe.
- ✓ — Later model ditto.
- ✓ — Bleeding Cup from Old Royal Infirmary, Edinburgh.

R80-0-0

FROM ALEXANDER MILES, ESQ.,

- ✓ — Plaster Cast of Symes Hand with knife.
- ✓ — 3 Cases Instruments.
- ✓ — 1 Book and 2 Liston's Bone Forceps.

L30-0-0

FROM 3 DARNAWAY STREET.

- ✓ — Japanned Tin Box. *Simpson's Dressing Box*
- ✓ — Sheet Glass with hand. *Goodie's*
- ✓ — Name Plate. Dr J.Y. Simpson.
- ✓ — Box of Drawing Instruments.
- ✓ — ? Box with other Instruments.
- ✓ — Glass on Pivot etc. *(Goodie's Dental - microscope)*
- ✓ — Certificate. *Diploma signed by Simpson.*

L30-0-0

FROM EDINBURGH UNIVERSITY.

- ✓ — Plaster Cast of Head, (child's).
- ✓ — Pump. *(Sucker)*
- ✓ — Perforator.
- ✓ — 3 Midwifery Forceps.
- ✓ — Crainoclast.
- ✓ — Cephalotrite.
- ✓ — Basylist.

L50-0-0

From Sir James Affleck
Egyptian Knives

L60-0-0

List of Specimens Loaned by the
Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh.

1. Oil Painting ^{by} Sir Charles Bell of Lord's
wound on Cornea.
2. Fracture of Calvarium with Subdural Haemorrhage.
Sir Charles Bell Collection.
3. Liston's amputating knives.
4. original hypodermic syringe Dr W. Wood.
5. Latex model ditto. Dr W. Wood.
6. Bleeding Cup old Royal Infirmary Edinburgh.

Gardner

7th August 1913.

Dear Sirs,

Dr. Comrie has communicated with us with reference to three instruments that were missing from the box you sent from Edinburgh. We are glad to say that since seeing him the three instruments have been found.

Faithfully yours,

Curator.

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



Telephone: No. 12 FRINTON.

Dec 5/8/13

31/7/13.
GRAND HOTEL,
FRINTON-ON-SEA,
ESSEX.

Dear Mr. Thompson,

I have written
Jardiner asking him
to forward the missing
instruments to you as
soon as possible.
Will you please

ask Mr Wellcome to
send me his paper
here if it is ready
before the 5th prox..

With kind regards

Yoursr. truly
John D. Comrie

Comrie

22 July 1913.

Dear Dr. Comrie,

I desire to thank you for your kind letter of the 18th inst. and for the trouble you have taken on my behalf in obtaining the loan of so many interesting objects for the Historical Medical Museum.

I am pleased to learn that the College of Physicians have consented to loan Prince Charlie's Medicine Chest, and you can assure them that every care will be taken of it while in our possession. When all the objects arrive and are placed on exhibition, we shall feel that Edinburgh is now properly represented in the Museum.

I am pleased to hear that the essay which gained the historical gold medal this year was a particularly good one.

Again thanking you very cordially,

Believe me,

Yours very truly,

TELEPHONE NO. 4722.

C. J. Draft a nice and proper reply to all points to sign J.D.C.
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JOHN D. COMRIE, M.D., F.R.C.P.E.

SECRETARY.

JOHN STURTON.

UNIVERSITY NEW BUILDINGS.

Edinburgh, 18th July 1913.

Henry S. Wellcome, Esq.,

Dear Mr. Wellcome,

I shall attend to morrow
to sending off some of the objects of
interest for the loan of which I have
arranged.

I insisted that the Librarian
of the College of Physicians should arrange
about the Insurance of Prince
Charles' Medicine Chest as I foresaw
difficulties with the Insurance Offices.
I trust it will be duly effected.

Yours very truly
John D. Comrie.

P.S. The Essay which gained the Wellcome
Gold Medal this year was a particularly good one.

Comrie

Comrie

July 15th, 1913.

Dear Dr. Comrie,

I desire to thank you for your letter of the 10th inst., and note with pleasure that you have been able to obtain promises of some loans of interest for the Historical Medical Museum from Edinburgh. I am glad that Edinburgh will be properly represented in the Museum, and, judging from the list you have kindly sent me, the addition will be an interesting and important one, for which I am very grateful.

With reference to the little medicine chest of Prince Charlie, which I should like to have, I am afraid the insurance companies will raise difficulties about the extraordinarily high value placed upon it, as in such cases they have invariably refused to insure for so high a value.

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

I am,

Yours very truly,

Dr. Comrie,
The University,
Edinburgh.

Snow Hill Buildings.

14th July 1913.

Dear Dr. Comrie,

I desire to thank you for your kind letter of the 10th inst., and note with pleasure that you have been able to obtain promises of some loans of interest for the Historical Medical Museum from Edinburgh. I am glad that Edinburgh will be properly represented in the Museum, and judging from the list you have kindly sent me the addition will be an interesting and important one.

With reference to the little medicine chest of Prince Charlie, which I should much like to have, I am afraid the insurance companies will raise difficulties about the high value placed upon it, as we have found they have refused in other cases to insure for a value above £500-0-0. Perhaps the authorities of the Royal College of Physicians might be induced to bring their valuation down in order that the insurance might be effected.

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

I am,

Yours very truly,

H.S.W.

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14th July 1913.

Dear Dr. Comrie,

Mr. Wellcome has handed me your letter of the 10th inst., from which I note with pleasure that you have succeeded in obtaining for us some exceedingly interesting objects.

I enclose several lenders forms which I should be glad if you would have filled in by the lenders giving a full description of each object and value for insurance. Kindly let me have these forms the day before the objects are despatched, in order that the insurance may be effected. I should be glad to receive the objects as soon as possible, as it will take a week or two to have the case made, and it is necessary to see the objects in order to judge of the size required.

With many thanks,

I am,

Faithfully yours,

SNOW HILL BUILDINGS

LONDON E.C.

14th July 1913.

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With reference to the little medicine chest of Prince Charlie, which I should much like to have, I am afraid the insurance companies will raise difficulties about the high value placed upon it, *reference made* as in such cases *the insurance companies have* as we have found they have refused in other cases to insure for a *unwilling* value above £500 0 0. Perhaps the authorities of the Royal College of Physicians might be induced to bring their valuation down in order that the insurance might be effected.

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

I am,

Yours very truly,

This item could therefore be omitted

(refused to insure for so high a value)

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10th July 1913.

Henry S. Wellcome Esq.,
Snowhill Buildings,
LONDON E.C.

Dear Mr. Wellcome,

X I was very much disappointed on the 24th ult. to find that Edinburgh was so poorly represented in your great museum. After I had offered some time ago to lend any help I could and after I understood that arrangements had been made to borrow some articles representative of this school I left the matter to your representatives to arrange.

When I found to my regret there was so little from Edinburgh I spoke to Mr. Thompson on the 24th June, and he promised me he would find room for some small articles.

I have accordingly arranged for the loan of the following articles connected with Edinburgh and should be glad to know if you would be so good as to give them place. I should suggest putting them all in one case if possible.

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11 The little medicine chest of Prince Charlie, which is of great interest, was only obtained with the greatest difficulty from the Royal College of Physicians, who make the conditions that it shall be insured for £1000 and shown under cover.

If you will be kind enough to accept the loan of the articles named in the list enclosed I shall arrange to have them sent.

I am, Yours very truly,

John D. Cowie

P.S. I send by same post copy of a brief notice of the Historical Museum in the Edinb. Med. Found.

Dear Sir,

I am, Sir, very much

pleased to hear in the list enclosed I shall succeed in securing

it you will be kind enough to accept the loan of the

that it shall be insured for 1000 and shown under cover

from the Royal College of Physicians who make the nomination

of Great Interest and only obtained with the President of the

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which is not a small sum all in one place it is possible

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Dear Mr. Williams,

LONDON E.C.
General Committee
General Committee
General Committee

10th July 1913.



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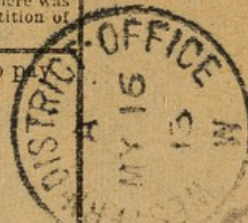
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16th May 1913.

Dear Dr. Comrie,

Many thanks for your kind letter from which I note that you will be in London this week-end.

If equally convenient for you, I should be glad if you would call and see me on Monday morning at 11 o'clock, instead of Saturday, as I am extremely busy on that day, and could give you very little time.

Trusting to see you on Monday,

With kind regards,

Faithfully yours,

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15th May 1883
25 MANOR PLACE,
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Dear Mr. Thompson

I shall be in
London on Saturday
morning and should
like very much to call
on you that day if
convenient for you.

I shall still
be in London till Monday
afternoon so that if
Saturday is inconvenient
for you I could still

Come that day and see
the Museum.

Perhaps you would
be kind enough to let
me have a line at
the Kenilworth Hotel
to say what is suitable
for you.

With kindest regards,

Yours truly

John D. Cowie

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17 June 1913.

Dear Dr. Comrie,

I regret I have not had a single advance copy of the Guide-Book to the Historical Medical Museum delivered yet, but they are promised tomorrow and I will at once forward you a copy.

The blocks of the illustrations which I asked the publishing branch at Snow Hill Buildings to send you were not those which have appeared in Burroughs Wellcome's advertisements; they were used to illustrate the syllabus of the Historical Medical Museum. I have no other blocks available at present. I am only using six full page illustrations for the Guide-Book, and these blocks the printers cannot spare for several months, as they will require them for subsequent editions which will follow one another immediately.

Pray do not think I am keeping back anything I can possibly give you, as that impression is quite erroneous. I am only too willing to lend you anything I possibly can to help you with your article. If you do not think the little blocks which were used for the syllabus suitable, it is quite impossible to send you others, as those used for the Guide-Book will not be available for at least two months.

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I am hoping to see you and some other representatives from the North on Tuesday next, our opening day.

With kind regards,

I am,

Faithfully yours,

Dr. Comrie,
25, Manor Place,
Edinburgh.

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25 MANOR PLACE,
EDINBURGH.

16th June 1913.

C. J. S. Thompson Esq.,
54a Wigmore Street,
LONDON W.

Dear Mr. Thompson,

I have held up my little article for the Edinburgh Medical Journal calling attention to the Wellcome Museum as long as possible in the hope that I should receive the promised proof of the programme.

I had to send it in yesterday but if you can favour me with an advance copy in the next few days this would be in time to correct any errors in the proof.

The little illustrations which you kindly sent me having already appeared with the firm's advertisements would, I fear, not do for the Edinburgh Medical Journal, and I am returning them. I had gathered when you first spoke of the matter that you would be able to lend me some from the descriptive programme you are publishing of the museum.

I should point out again that this article appears on July 1st, seven days after the opening, and that a description of the Museum or any illustrations published cannot possibly harm the Museum.

You seem to have misunderstood my intention which has been to try and assist your efforts by bringing the

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Museum into greater notice here and doing away with the
impression which I find prevalent in medical circles that
it is purely a trade concern.

With kind regards
Yours truly,

John G. Cousie.

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JOHN D. COMRIE, M.D., F.R.C.P.E.

SECRETARY.
JOHN STIRTON.

25 Manor Place,
UNIVERSITY NEW BUILDINGS

Edinburgh, 31st May 1913

Dear Mr. Thompson,
Many thanks for your letter of 29th inst.
I shall be happy to receive the loan of the blocks and
I note to return them to Messrs Burroughs Wellcome
Co..

I have written up the notes that I
made at the Museum and am just waiting for some
information from Dr. Cranford as to what the British
Museum is to do, to include it with the notice of your
Museum.
I should be very grateful if you could
let me have a sight for a couple of days of the
proof you kindly spoke of letting me have so that
I may be quite sure of my facts.

With kind regards,

Yours truly
John D. Comrie

P.S. In visiting your Museum I was specially struck
I think by the pictures of Mr. Board which give a
wonderfully good pictorial history of certain periods of
Medicine; also of the alcoves with the laboratories,
drug shops, etc. These are of far more value to the
average man than heaps of purely antiquarian objects.
You should spread the pictures well out and have
full descriptions attached to each.

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29 May 1913.

Dear Dr. Comrie,

I have asked the publishers to-day to send you six blocks to illustrate your article on the Historical Medical Museum.

I trust these will be suitable for your purpose as we use them in the syllabus. Kindly return the blocks when finished with to Messrs. Burroughs Wellcome & Co., Snow Hill Buildings, E.C.

I am,

Faithfully yours,

C.J.S.T.

George

H.M.M.

6th May 1913.

Dear Dr. Comrie,

Many thanks for your kind letter of the 3rd Inst. just to hand from which I note that you will send me some names for the invitation list shortly. I shall hope to see you towards the end of the month. Kindly write and let me know the day before you come, so that I can make a point of being in.

Dr. Chalmers has been appointed to Khartoum, and left London in the early part of April. He has been very busy, and has not written anything yet on Culpepper. He has stored his books, and I think it is now improbable that he will send a paper to the Congress.

Thanks for the address of Sir James Affleck. I will write to him with reference to the surgical knives.

With kind regards,

I am,

Faithfully yours,

C.J.S.T.



3rd May 1913.

C. J. S. Thompson Esq.,
54a Wigmore Street,
LONDON W.

Dear Mr. Thompson,

Many thanks for your letter. I have written to a friend in Glasgow who takes a great interest in the History of Medicine, asking him to let me have the names of a dozen men who should be invited to the opening ceremony. I shall let you have the list of Glasgow and Edinburgh men in a few days when I hear from him.

I note what you say as to the special lines of the Museum that I might develop for the article in the E.M.J. In your letter of 10th April you kindly invite me to pay the museum a visit; and, as I hope to be able to come up to London about the 18th inst. I may get some copy from you then. I shall write later and try to make an appointment at some hour convenient for you.

In an earlier letter (23rd September 1912) you spoke of Dr. Chalmers possibly writing on the life and works of Nicholas Culpepper. Have you had more definite information from him or can you give me his address?



With kindest regards

I am,

Yours very truly

John D. Cousie

P.S. Sir James Affleck, 38 Heriot Row, Edinburgh, has three Egyptian knives (18th Dynasty) which I wrote up as Surgical Knives in the Archiv. für Geschichte der Med....He will lend them if you wish them.

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2 May 1913.

Dear Dr. Comrie,

I was just about to write to you when your letter of May 1st came to hand.

Many thanks for the trouble you have taken with reference to the papers for the Congress by Mr. Wellcome and myself. I understand that this is now alright. I spoke to Dr. Norman Moore, the President, and he at once accepted them. With regard to Dr. Ray and Mr. Buxton, Mr. Buxton is not medically qualified, but I mentioned the matter to Dr. Norman Moore, and he gave permission for the paper to be read. I have sent Dr. Raymond Crawford a list of the titles of the papers.

I hope you will be able to come to London for the opening of the Museum on the 24th. I am now arranging about sending out the invitations for the ceremony. Sir Thomas Barlow has kindly consented to preside, Dr. Norman Moore will declare the Museum open, and speeches will be made by Sir. William Osler, Sir Clifford Allbutt, Sir Rickman Godlee and Sir Francis Champneys.

I think Scotland ought to be represented at the opening, if possible. If you would kindly send me a few names of some of the leading men in Edinburgh and Glasgow, whom you think it would be at least

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complimentary to invite, I would see that it was done at once.

With reference to the paper you are writing for the Edinburgh Medical Journal, I have not a copy of the first proofs of the Handbook for the Historical Medical Museum, which the printer still holds. You might, however, be able to elaborate the following points :

There will be a most interesting section of primitive medicine with medicine men in costume of savage and barbarous peoples throughout the world;

Special diagrams are being prepared showing the cycles in the history of parasites and the communication of tropical diseases to man.

An endeavour is being made to trace the evolution of all the principal surgical instruments, such as the lancet, the speculum, the enema, etc.

A remarkable display of Greco-Roman votive offerings will be made in the form of a Greek shrine copied from an early temple. Many of these models in terra-cotta and brass are of great pathological interest.

The collection of historical portraits of medical men is very

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fine, and we have an interesting collection of medicine chests including those of Lord Nelson, the Duke of Wellington, Dr. David Livingstone and Dr. Jenner. A collection of relics of Edward Jenner will be shown including his diplomas, family portraits and personal objects; also of Henry Hill Hickman, the English pioneer in anaesthesia.

A number of historical surgical instruments have been lent by the Royal College of Surgeons, such as that used by Sir Henry Thompson when operating on Napoleon III, etc.

These are only a few of the features of the Museum, but perhaps they will suffice. I will try and elaborate them later on, if I can find time.

As you may imagine, we are extremely busy and are working as hard as we can to get the Museum completed in time.

Trusting you are well,

I am,

Faithfully yours,



1st. May, 1913.

C.J.S. Thompson Esq.,
54a Wigmore Street
Cavendish Square,
LONDON W.

Dear Mr. Thompson,

Upon receipt of your last letter I wrote at once to Dr. Raymond Crawford who, being on the spot, had agreed to arrange about getting the papers of Mr. Wellcome and yourself accepted. As you are not medical graduates there was a technical difficulty about this- the permission of the President of the Congress being necessary. This was however purely formal and I hear from him to-day has now been granted. I presume that Dr. Ray and Mr Buxton are both qualified?

Will you kindly inform either me or Dr. Crawford of the titles of the four papers - yours I know is on "~~Terra~~ Sigillata"- at your convenience.

I am hoping to be in London sometime in May and and certainly for June 24th. If I can manage to get away in May, a visit to your museum is my main reason for coming up.

I have arranged to write a paper descriptive of the museum for the Edinburgh Medical Journal to appear on 1st July. It would be a great favour and assistance in preparing this if you could lend me some descriptive catalogue or notes,



provided you have anything of the sort prepared.

With kindest regards

I am,

Yours very truly,

John D. Cousie.

P.S. I trust that a replica of the Wellcome Medals
for History of Medicine will form an exhibit in the museum.

provided you have nothing of the sort prepared.

With kindest regards

I am,

Yours very truly,

P.S. I trust that nothing of the Williams Medal
for History of Medicine will form an exhibit in the museum.

Wm. Osborn

10th April 1913.

Dear Dr. Cochrle,

I have had a letter from Mr. Wellcome asking me to inform you that he has arranged that Dr. Ray and Mr. Suxton who were the anatomists and anthropologists with him on his expedition in the Sudan, should contribute papers to the Section of the History of Medicine at the International Medical Congress. He has not yet sent me the titles, but I understand the papers will deal with anatomical specimens of human remains showing various pathological conditions that they have recently excavated in a prehistoric Ethiopian cemetery. These, I believe, are of a very interesting character, and will be shown in the Historical Medical Museum.

Have you arranged yet concerning the papers Mr. Wellcome and myself propose to give before the Section of the History of Medicine?

We are working under great pressure just now getting the Museum complete, and those who have seen it appear to be pleased with the results so far. It will be opened on June 24th when Sir Thomas Barlow as President of the Congress will preside. Dr. Norman Moore has consented to announce the formal opening and he will be supported by Sir William Osler, Sir Rickman Godlee and others. Do you expect to be in London before this date? If so I hope you will pay us a visit.

Trusting you are well,

Faithfully yours,

J. m. C.

4 Feb. 1913.

Dear Dr. Comrie,

Many thanks for your letter of the 1st inst. just to hand.

I think it will be an advantage in every way that our Museum is affiliated to the Congress, and feel sure that Mr. Wellcome will be glad to hear it has been effected.

As you may imagine, I am extremely busy just now. An enormous number of loans have come in this month, and more are still arriving. As soon as I possibly can, I will put together a few facts concerning the Museum, and these will serve as a basis for the article you suggest. I could procure you the loan of some of the blocks used for the syllabus, should you wish to illustrate the article. If you remind me of this in about a month's time I will see that the blocks are forwarded to you.

We have had two very interesting and well-attended meetings of the new Section of the History of Medicine of the Royal Society of Medicine.

Trusting you are well,

I am,

Faithfully yours,



1st February, 1913.

C. J. S. Thompson Esq.,
Messrs Burroughs Wellcome & Co.,
Easley Mews,
Wigmore Street,
LONDON, W.

Dear Mr. Thompson,

I was very glad to hear last week that the desired affiliation between your museum and the History of Medicine Section had at last been successfully carried out.

I wonder if you could at your convenience let me have some descriptive notes about the Museum, because I should be very happy, if you wish it, to write an article upon Medical History generally, and specially as illustrated by the museum, for local publication here just before the museum is due to open. I think you told me you should probably be ready to open in May and if I had an article ready before that, for the "Scotsman" and perhaps the "Edinburgh Medical Journal" I think this might be a help.

Yours very truly,

John D. Couper

1st February, 1918.

C. J. S. Thompson Esq.,
Messrs. H. & W. Williams & Co.,
Rushey House,
St. James Street,
LONDON, W.

Dear Mr. Thompson,

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affiliation between your museum and the History of Medicine
Society had at last been successfully carried out.

I wonder if you could at your convenience let me
have some descriptive notes about the Museum, so that I should
be very happy, if you wish it, to write an article upon
Medical History generally and especially as illustrated by the
Museum for local publication here just before the museum is
due to open. I think you told me you should probably be
ready to open in May and if I had an article ready before that
for the "Herald" and perhaps the "Edinburgh Medical Journal"?
I think this might be a help.

Yours very truly,

Boissac

23th. October, 1912.

Dear Dr. Comrie,

Many thanks for all the trouble you have taken with respect to the medical men for the Guian Expedition. We have got two now under consideration, one of whom is Dr. Swing, whom you kindly recommended and Dr. Derry is dealing with the matter. We trust to be able to finally select a man this week out of those who have applied.

Let me also thank you for the interesting pamphlets on the history of Medicine you have kindly sent me.

Again thanking you very cordially for the trouble you have taken,

With kind regards,

Faithfully yours

C.J.S.P.

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25th October 1914

Dear Sir

I have to thank you for your communication of the 23rd inst.: but I wish to point out to you my change of address, regretting if I was not sufficiently clear upon it in my previous letter.

Yours faithfully

M. C. R. Enham

C. J. S. Thompson Esq
Easley House
London

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25 MANOR PLACE,

EDINBURGH.

Dear Mr. Thompson,

I send you two
further names because
the men have been com-
mended to me as knowing
something about Anthropometry.

These are :-

(1) D. H. W. Webb,

Rath House,

Knock,

Belfast

who have been recommended

by the Professor of Anatomy
Whom I saw today, and

(2) Dr. Grahame who was
to write and apply to you
himself. I saw Grahame
who seems to be a pleasant
man and he told me
that he had read a good
deal about Ethnology; he
has travelled in the
tropics; and he stated
that he had been reading
up Anthropometry recently.
As the Professor of Anatomy
said to me any man with

a fair knowledge of Anatomy could
get up all the measurements required
in an hour or so. Certainly he could
do it in a day or two, so that if
you choose a man otherwise suitable
I should say that Dr. Berry could put
him up to the technical measurements
required in a forenoon.

With kindest regards

Yours very truly
John D. Cousie

Easley Mews,

26th. October, 1912.

Dear Sir,

I desire to thank you for your kind letter of
24th. inst., enclosing photograph, which I return
herewith. I regret that, on careful consideration,
we have to decline your offer.

Thanking you for the same,

I am,

Faithfully yours,

C. J. S. T.

Dr. Hukka,
Edinburgh.

C/o Hestie
70 Marchmont
crescent
Edinburgh

Oct 24th

Dear Sir,

Thanks for your
note of the 23rd inst.

I trust you would
consider my case at
your earliest convenience,
for as I explained
to Dr Comrie, I should
have joined Public

Health clear this last
Monday. And if I don't
join soon, I shall miss
the action. As I am exceedingly
interested in the Archaeological
work, I would gladly go with
the P. H. Class and go with
the expedition if I am selected
for the post.

I am forwarding my
Photograph which you will
kindly return.

Hoping to hear
soon from you

and always
My Thompson
London.

Yr. Obedt. Servant
A. H. H. H.

Eastley News.

21st. October, 1912.

Dear Dr. Comrie,

Your kind letter of the 19th. arrived a short time after I had wired you this morning, and I also received communications from Dr. Ewing and Dr. Hukka by the same post. The former! as you say, seems more suitable of the two. There is only the question of experience in making anthropometric measurements, which Mr. Wellcome regards as a necessity.

Should you fail to secure a man experienced both as a practical anatomist and anthropologist, I must fall back on the medical practitioner. I will communicate with Dr. Ewing as soon as possible.

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

I am

Faithfully yours,

P.S. The reprints of the articles you mention in your letter have not yet come to hand but I will acknowledge them and your kindness in sending the same immediately on receipt.

C.J.S.T.

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JOHN STIRTON.

UNIVERSITY NEW BUILDINGS.

Edinburgh, 19th Oct 1912.

Dear W. Thompson,

As I telegraphed to you I have just come across a man who would I think be very suitable as the Medical Adviser on Mr. Wellcome's expedition. He is an Edinburgh Graduate S. Ewing M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H. who has spent one year in General Practice and 9 months as Resident in a Fever Hospital. He has taken the Diploma in Public Health and is thus well up in Sanitation and has worked at the subject of Tropical Diseases specially. With regard to Anthropology he has not done any special work but is a good all-round man and might safely be trusted to make himself useful in this direction.

He was recommended to me by the Dean of the Medical Faculty and I have no hesitation in recommending him strongly. He is a pleasant man and would be companionable on the expedition.

Another man whom I do not know at all S. Hukka, a Hindoo, applied to me, and I gave him your address but though he might be all right as a medical attendant I do not think he would suit otherwise.

I send you herewith some reprints of small articles connected with the History of Medicine. From p. 28. of the Egyptian one (foot-note) you will get the reference

of which I spoke to a small brochure of Spiegelberg
dealing with the earliest birth-stocks.

With kindest regards

I remain

Yours very truly

John D. Courie.

J.S.

The address of the man I recommend is:-

Dr. Alexander J. Ewing
Colinton Mains Fever Hospital,
Edinburgh

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Secretary.—JOHN STIRTON.

UNIVERSITY NEW BUILDINGS,

Edinburgh, 10/10/1912

Dear Mr. Thomson,
I write to say that I
shall be in London on
Saturday first. I have
an appointment with Sir
James MacKenzie Davidson

for 10 c which will probably
last for two hours or more
but I shall endeavour
to call on you when it
is at an end. I shall
be staying at the Kenilworth
Hotel and if you are to be
out of town on Saturday night
I ask you to be good enough to
let me have a note there to say when
I can see you on Monday morning.
Yours very truly
J. D. Coatsworth

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8th Oct 1912.
25 MANOR PLACE,
EDINBURGH.

Dear Mr. Thompson,

I have not replied
sooner to your kind letters
of 23rd and 25th September because
I have expected to be in
London again.

It is very probable
I shall be in town next
Saturday and Monday;
and if, later in this week,
I find that I shall
certainly be there I shall
communicate with you
again to make an
appointment so as not

Cornell

to miss you as I did before.

I note that Dr. Derry
and also Dr. Chalmers
will kindly contribute papers
and I shall get the
further details from you
when I see you.

Yours truly
John D. Cochrane.

Easley Mews

12th October 1912.

Dear Dr. Comrie,

I regret that I shall be out of town to-night, but I shall be very pleased to see you on Monday morning any time convenient to you between 9.30 and 12.30. I should much like to have a few minutes' conversation with you before you return.

I am,

Faithfully yours,

G.J.S. Thompson.

per

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SECRETARY.

JOHN STIRTON.

UNIVERSITY NEW BUILDINGS.

Edinburgh, 28th Sep. 1912.

Henry S. Wellcome, Esq.,
Snow Hill Bdgs.,
London, E. C.

Dear Mr. Wellcome,

I am in receipt of your letter of 26th inst. and have already made some inquiry regarding a suitable anatomist and anthropologist. I expect to see the Professor of Anatomy as soon as he returns after the vacation, probably early next week, and he is very likely to be able to suggest some suitable person. I shall communicate with you again in a few days.

Meantime would you kindly give me an idea of the length of time for which he would be required, the terms, conditions of work, etc. I presume that quite a young man who has devoted some special attention to this subject would be most suitable.

CT | Mr. Thompson writes me that there is a prospect of your reading a paper at the International Medical Congress upon the general results of the expedition, and I think this would be most interesting. It is necessary to obtain the permission of the President of Congress - not of the President of the Section - when a non-medical contributor makes a communication. But this rule I expect is simply formal, and I shall ask the

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UNIVERSITY NEW BUILDINGS,

Edinburgh, 191

President of the section to obtain this when I send him in the list of the papers I have obtained. How would your paper be entitled if you were kind enough to write one?

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When last I saw you, we had some conversation with reference to the representation of surgical operations upon Egyptian tombs. Larrey mentions this in general terms in his "Relation Historique et Chirurgicale de l'Armée Expédition de l'Armée d'Orient", Paris, 1805. I have two lantern slides taken from a recently published book, of which I cannot at the moment remember the name, showing circumcision and what I take to be the reduction of dislocations of the fingers and toes, as depicted on the wall of a tomb. These are however beside the point. ? Halliday

Assuring you of my willing cooperation at any time,

I remain,

Yours truly,

John D. Comrie.

Combre

Easley Mews

25th September 1912.

Dear Dr. Comrie,

As you may be aware Mr. Wellcome has been conducting some archaeological investigations in the Southern Sudan during the last two years, part of which have consisted in the excavation of a large cemetery from which many interesting remains have been obtained. Dr. Douglas Derry of University College, the anatomical expert on his staff has been working, and will be working on these during the coming winter. I have suggested to Mr. Wellcome it would be a very interesting thing if himself gave a paper on general lines embodying the medical aspects of the objects excavated during the work of his expedition in the Sudan before the International Medical Congress. This might be followed by further communications from Dr. Derry from the purely anatomical point of view. Will you kindly let me know what you think of this suggestion, and its suitability with reference to the Historical Medical Section of the Congress?

I am,

Faithfully yours,

C.J.S.T.

Easley Mews

23rd September 1912.

Dear Dr. Comrie,

I regret delay in replying to your kind letter of the 7th inst. owing to absence from London. As soon as I possible can, I will make you out a list of any books that we have in our library refering to the ancient apparatus and implements used in ancient Greek surgery to which you refer. It is possible that you may have several of these works in the University or other Library in Edinburgh close at hand, but those you have not got, I shall be very pleased to lend you from our library.

Since I saw you my friend Dr. Chalmers who is the Director of the Government Laboratories in Colombo has called upon me in London. He is also interested in historical medical subjects, and I suggested that he might perhaps give a paper in the Historical Medical Section at the Congress. He has since communicated with me stating that he would like to do something on the life and works of Nicholas Culpepper. Dr. Chalmers is at present out of town, but on his return I could send you his address and put you in touch with him.

With kind regards,

I am,

Faithfully yours,

C.J.S.T.

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9th September, 1912.

C. J. S. Thompson, Esq.,
Easley Mews,
Wignore Street,
London. W.

Dear Mr Thompson,

I delayed replying to your kind letter of the 3rd August until I should have had time to look through the five books that you were kind enough to send me. Those upon Welsh Medicine, Anaesthetics, and Anglo-Saxon Leechcraft I knew already and the other two I have read with very great pleasure and profit. Please accept my warm thanks for them.

I have not yet got a complete list of the papers which are to be read at the History of Medicine section next August as I have been very busy recently with the organisation of the Post-Graduate Course in Medicine taking place in Edinburgh.

I shall give you an outline of the work of the section later on and shall also apply to you for the help which you are kind enough to promise with regard to the paper on Hippocratic apparatus that I am to contribute, largely as a result of your suggestion.

With kind regards,

Believe me,

Yours truly,

John D. Courie

*P.S. Could you give me an idea of the books diagrams apparatus etc., that you have available already to which I could refer?
Many thanks also for your kindness in the matter of the Diacetic Acid, which I duly received.*

Easley Mews.

3rd August 1912.

Dear Dr. Comrie,

Many thanks for your letter just tohand. I am very sorry I had gone when you called at Wigmore Street, as I had hoped to have had another chat with you on the subject of the Historical Medical Exhibition, but I hope that on your next visit to London you will be able to look in and see me, if you will kindly let me know a day or two in advance so that I can make certain of being in.

I note what you say with reference to special permission having to be obtained from the President concerning our papers, and trust you will kindly let me know the result.

With respect to the subject that you were kind enough to take up at our suggestion for the Congress, I shall be pleased to give you every assistance I possibly can with respect to any books we may have on the apparatus, drawings and pictures etc. If at your convenience you could let me have a list of the books that you have at present access to on the subject, I will supplement it by any that we have in the Library, or that I can obtain elsewhere in London.

I have transmitted your order to Burroughs Wellcome & Co. in the city, and they will forward it direct to Edinburgh.

I am forwarding under separate cover, five of the small books on historical medical subjects, which I trust will interest you.

I am

Faithfully yours,

C. JS. T.

Mr. Holloway.

Please attend to enclosed order as early as possible, and forward
direct to Dr. Comrie in Edinburgh.

C. J. S. T.

3rd August 1912.

Wigmore Street.

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HON. SECRETARY.

JOHN D. COMRIE, M.D., F.R.C.P.E.

SECRETARY.

JOHN STIRTON.

UNIVERSITY NEW BUILDINGS.

Edinburgh, 2nd Aug. 1912.

Dear Mr. Thompson,

I went up to town twice this week in order to try & see you but it was so late before I could get off duty at Woolwich that the time I reached Wigmore Street the Museum was closed and I got no response on ringing the bell.

I wanted to explain that I find it is necessary to obtain special permission from the President of Congress (Sir Thomas Barlow) for the papers of non-medical men; but I expect this will be readily granted to Mr. Wellcome and yourself.

I hope you will let me hear from you if there is anything in which I can assist and I shall come and see you when next I am in London. I shall have much

pleasure in taking up the subject that you were good enough to suggest and I shall communicate with you about the apparatus later.

I wonder if I might ask you to do me a special favour by asking that the enclosed order may be sent to me from Messrs B. W. & Co's shop round the corner from your museum. I have had some difficulty in procuring it and I have no doubt your people will manage to fill the order.

With kind regards

Yours truly

John D. Courie.

TELEPHONE 4782.

23 JUL 1912

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UNIVERSITY NEW BUILDINGS.

To Mrs Fletcher
2 The Common
Woolwich

Edinburgh, 13th July 1912.

Dear Mr. Wellcome,

As I have been absent from Edinburgh on holiday and since Saturday in Woolwich, I am sorry that there has been considerable delay in answering your kind letter of 16th inst..

I shall be in London on Wednesday and Thursday afternoons (24th and 25th) after 3 p.m., and should like very much to call upon you if convenient for you on one of these days so as to see you prior to the meeting of the History of Medicine Section Committee on 26th inst..

I should be very glad to have an opportunity of seeing the objects and literature which you so kindly offer for the purpose of papers to be read at the Congress. This ~~is~~ I think, is a most valuable method of bringing the Section of the Congress and your interesting Exhibition into closer relation with each other and thus increasing the utility of

both. I should myself be glad to do
something in this respect:

I note that you will be good enough
to read a paper at the Section and that
members of your staff might also do so.
I should like if possible to have the
names of the writers, and, in a general
way, the titles of the papers by Friday
26th so as to bring them before the
President of the Section then in a list.

I am

Yours very truly

John D. Cowrie.

Proposed Subjects of Papers for History of Medicine Section,

International Medical Congress.

Greco-Roman Surgical Instruments represented in Egyptian Sculpture.

Mr. Henry S. Wellcome.

Some Methods of Plague Prevention employed in Ancient Times.

Dr. Louis W. Sambon.

Some Notes on the Early History of Parasitology. Dr. Louis Sambon.

A Note on Terra sigillata.

Mr. C. J. S. Thompson.

Suggested subjects for Dr. Comrie.

Apparatus used in Greek Surgery.

The History of the Stethoscope.

File under Comrie.

THE HISTORY OF THE REFORMATION

BY JOHN CALVIN

TRANSLATED BY

ANDREW DODD

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EDINBURGH

PRINTED BY

JOHN WATSON

AT THE UNIVERSITY PRESS

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Snow Hill Buildings.

16th July 1912.

Dear Dr. Comrie,

In reply to the second portion of your kind letter of the 9th inst., with respect to the History of Medicine Section of the International Medical Congress, I should be glad to see you when you come to London for the Meeting of the Committee which I understand is to be held on the 26th inst.

I shall be pleased to consider any suggestions that you may have to offer with reference to bringing the members of the Section into touch with the Historical Medical Exhibition, which will synchronise with the Meeting of the Congress next year.

I may say I shall be pleased to place various interesting historical objects and literature which I have at the service of anyone whom you may deem suitable to study any special subject for the purpose of writing papers to be read at the History of Medicine Section of the Congress.

I also hope to contribute a paper myself if this is in order. Some members of my staff might also contribute papers in connection with the work that has been done on historical medical research.

I am,

Yours very truly,

H.S.W.

Draft of letter to Dr. Comrie.

Dear Dr. Comrie,

In reply to the second portion of your kind letter of the 9th inst., with respect to the History of Medicine Section of the International Medical Congress, I ~~trust to be able~~ ^{shall be glad} to see you when you come to London for the Meeting of the Committee, which I understand will be on the 26th inst.

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I also hope to contribute something ^{a paper} ~~in that way~~ myself, ^{if this is in order} ~~together with~~ ^{some} several members of my staff, in connection with the work that has been done on historical medical research.

I am,

Yours very truly,

might also contribute papers

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UNIVERSITY NEW BUILDINGS,

Edinburgh, 9th July 1912.

11 JUL 1912

Henry S. Wellcome, Esq.,
London E.C.

Dear Mr. Wellcome

History of Medicine

1. I understand that the Secretary of Senatus has sent you an invitation to be present on Friday 12th at the Graduation Ceremony when the Medals and Prizes so kindly given & you will be handed to the winners.

2. As I am Secretary to the History of Medicine Section of the International Medical Congress (1913) and as there is to be a Committee meeting on July 26th at which I expect to be present, I should like to know whether you

can suggest any papers or other form of activity that might help to bring the Section more into interest in and touch with the Exhibition which you are organizing for the same occasion. I need hardly say that my interest in the latter is great and that anything in which I can be of service to add to its success will be most gladly done.

I am
Yours truly John D. Comrie.

File Comrie

Mr. C.J.S.Thompson,

re H.M.E.

The following is an extract from a letter I have received from Dr. John D. Comrie, Lecturer on History of Medicine University of Edinburgh, dated the 25th inst.:-

"I have been nominated for the post of Secretary
"in the History of Medicine Section which the Organisation
"Committee of the forthcoming International Congress of
"Medicine 1913 has decided to establish.

"I should like very much to make this Section of
"mutual assistance to Mr. Wellcome's Medical Historical
"Exhibition to be held at the same time and should be
"very glad to have the opportunity of a conversation with
"him on the subject. Will he be in London in the latter
"half of July coming?"

I have to write Dr. Comrie in connection with another matter on which he has written me, and I am advising him that I anticipate Mr. Wellcome will be in London in the latter half of July and he will be very pleased to see him, but you should take a note of this matter to follow it up with Mr. Wellcome on his return.

26th March, 1912

P.

Comrie

Mr. G. J. S. Thompson.

to H. M. S.

The following is an extract from a letter I have received from Dr. John D. Comrie, Lecturer on History of Medicine University of Edinburgh, dated the 25th Inst.:-

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25th March, 1913

F.

Blue S.H.B.

3rd October 1911.

Dear Sir,

Mr. Wellcome has asked me to acknowledge your kind letter of the 26th ult., and also the box containing three medals, which has duly come to hand. These he will return to you as early as possible.

Faithfully yours,

C.J.S.T.

Dr. John D. Comrie,
University of Edinburgh.



26th September, 1911.

Henry S. Wellcome, Esq.,
Snow Hill Buildings,
LONDON. E.C.

Dear Mr. Wellcome,

I have much pleasure in sending herewith a copy of a letter received from the Dean of the Medical Faculty expressing gratitude for your generous offer. I have forwarded your letter to the University Court for the formal acceptance of the University. The next meeting does not take place till 23rd prox.

I am sending per separate parcel impressions in bronze of three special University medals.

No. 1. The largest is of a Silver medal given for Chemistry. The crest of the University is the same as on all the ordinary (bronze) medals of the University. The reverse is a little different.

No. 2. The medium one is of a Gold medal given for specially excellent M.D. Theses.

No. 3. The smallest is of a Gold medal given for Clinical Surgery. The design of this is very poor however.

Will you please return these at your convenience.

Expressing once more my own thanks for your encouragement.

I remain, Yours very truly,

John D. Christie

COPY.



The University New Buildings,
EDINBURGH. 22nd September, 1911.

Faculty of Medicine.

Dean.

Professor Harvey Littlejohn.

Dear Dr. Comrie,

The generous offer mentioned in your letter is one which I need hardly say will be most gratefully accepted by the Faculty of Medicine.

The prizes will do much to stimulate the study of the History of Medicine and this will, I believe, prove of great benefit to students of medicine not only with respect to general culture but also by enabling them to view and meet the problems of the day from a much broader standpoint.

The formal offer should be addressed to the University Court which deals with all such matters.

Yours very truly,

(signed) Harvey Littlejohn.

COPY.



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Yours very truly,

(signed) Harvey Littlejohn.

Comrie

S.H.B. (best).

May 12th, 1910.

Dear Sir,

I desire on behalf of Mr Henry S. Wellcome, who is at present travelling abroad, to thank you very cordially for sending him your pamphlet of specimen extracts connected with the history of medicine. I shall have pleasure in bringing the same before him on his return.

I am,

Yours faithfully,

Dr John D. Gossie,
Edinburgh University,
Edinburgh.

Comrie - J. D.

TELEPHONE No 3005

Reed
22 AUG 1908

1.

7 S. E. CIRCUS PLACE

EDINBURGH

20/8/08.

Henry S. Wellcome, Esq.,

Dear Mr. Wellcome,

Referring to my recent conversation with you on the subject of the History of Medicine, I now write to give you further particulars regarding the supposed Egyptian surgical knives of which I told you.

The knives are the property of Dr. J. O. Affleck, 38 Heriot Row, Edinburgh, who would I believe be very happy to lend them for the proposed exhibition. They are three in number the longest being about 7", the next 6", and the smallest about 4". The metal is apparently a light coloured

alloy of copper

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EDINBURGH

alloy of copper, the blades are thin and slightly recurved, and the handles are in the form of delicately carved goose necks and heads bent downwards towards the edge of the blade. They were found, the owner says, in a tomb at Thebes; and they have been seen by Professor Sayce who attributes them to the time of the New Empire, say 1800 B. C. They are evidently intended for some delicate work as one may judge both from the form of the blade and of the handle. Although there is no direct evidence that they were used for performing operations, this theory as to their purpose has not been

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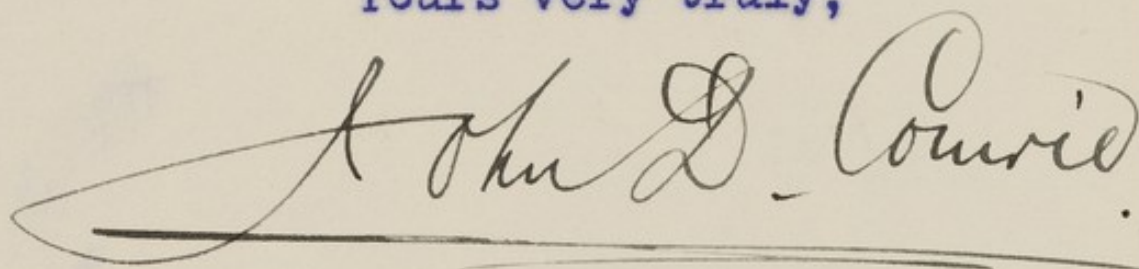
challenged.

I am sending you under separate cover a copy of my Medical Dictionary through which you will find scattered numerous references to medical history. I should be very much obliged to you if you would be good enough to let me have in exchange a set of the pamphlets that you have from time to time issued upon this subject, of which I have some.

Thanking you for the interview which you kindly accorded me the other day,

I remain

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "John D. Cowrie". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping initial "J". Below the signature is a horizontal line.

2.

W. E. B. DUBOIS PLACE

PHILADELPHIA

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other day,

I remain

Yours very truly,

Samuel

Duplicate.

2 September, 1933

Dear Dr. Conrie,

Pray accept my very hearty thanks for the copy of your highly valued Medical Dictionary.

I am sending you several of my publications connected with the history of the healing art and allied subjects, which I hope you may find of interest.

I am also indebted to you for the further information in regard to the Egyptian surgical knives, and shall appreciate your influence in securing the loan of these for the Historical Medical Exhibition.

With renewed thanks,

I remain,

Yours very truly,

Dr. J. B. Conrie,

7, S. 2. Circus Place,

Edinburgh.

ask for loan for Hist. M. E.

Duplicate.

Conrue

Dr John D. Comrie.

7 S.E. Circus Place,
Edinburgh.

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Kings Cross. excepting

between 12 & 3.

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Thursday - during afternoon.

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GREAT NORTHERN HOTEL,
KING'S CROSS STATION,
LONDON.

E. H. Perraton, Esq.,

11/8/08.

Dear Sir,

I am much
obliged to you for your
letter of to-day's date. I
shall be very happy to
call upon Mr. Wellcome
at the time he fixes, viz.,
to-morrow, Wednesday, between
3 and 3.30 p.m..

Yours truly
John D. Cowie.

August 11th 1908

Dear Sir,

With reference to your call at the above address this morning, Mr Wellcome desires me to say that he will be pleased to see you at his office tomorrow, Wednesday, between three and half past three o'clock.

Yours faithfully,

Secretary,

Dr J. D. Corrie,
(of Edinburgh),
Great Northern Hotel,
King's Cross.

Duplicate.

August 6th 1908

Dear Sir,

I have duly received yours of the 5th inst. and am greatly obliged to you for your kind offer to endeavour to enlist interest in the projected historical Medical Exhibition.

I note that you have not received the syllabus and I am sending you another copy.

I am afraid I did not make myself quite clear in regard to the collection already made preparatory for the Exhibition. The objects which have been loaned me, as well as my own private collection, are packed and stored away in fireproof vaults, where they will remain until just before the holding of the exhibition. I am afraid it is not practicable to unpack these specially for private view.

The work involved in organising this exhibition, and carrying out many of the researches, is so extensive that it has ^{not yet} been ~~im~~practicable to fix upon a date, and I may say it is certain that it cannot be less than a year or two from the present time.

I am gratified that you take an interest in this subject and shall value any suggestions. I am sorry to say that there are so very few who realise the importance of the study of the past.

Again thanking you, I remain,

Yours very truly,

To

Dr J. D. Cowrie,
7, S.E. Circus Place,
Edinburgh,
N.B.

Recd
6 AUG 1908

TELEPHONE No 3005

5th August 1908.
7 S. E. CIRCUS PLACE
EDINBURGH

Henry S. Wellcome Esq.,

Dear Sir

I am much obliged
to you for your kind letter
of 31st ult., in answer to
my request regarding the
collection of objects you have on the
History of Medicine.

I note that you are
good enough to say you
will let me see them
when you have them unpacked,
and I should be happy
to come up to London

any Saturday in order to
enjoy that privilege.

If you will let me
know when and where the
'Historical Medical Exhibition'
is to be held, I should
be delighted to do anything
in my power to assist in
obtaining loans for it.

Most of the objects of
interest of which I know
in Edinburgh are however
books, or connected with
comparatively recent local
celebrities.

I have not received
the syllabus of which you wrote
but should be very glad to get one.
Yours very truly John D. Courrie.

31st July, 1908.

Dear Sir,

I desire to thank you for your letter of the 28th inst., and in reply, I should have had much pleasure in showing you my collection of objects connected with the history of medicine, but for the fact that at the present time they are all packed and stored away until the Historical Medical Exhibition, which I am at present organising, takes place. When I have them unpacked I shall be pleased to let you see them, and will much appreciate any help you can give me in obtaining loans for the Exhibition when it takes place. I enclose you a syllabus herewith.

Yours very truly,

Dr J.D. Comrie,
78a Circus Place,
Edinburgh.

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Recd.

30 JUL 1908

7 St. Ardis Place,
Edinburgh 28/7/08.

Henry S. Wellcome Esq.,
Messrs Burroughs Wellcome & Co.,

Dear Sir,

I understand,
both from seeing some of
the advertisements of your
firm and from report, that
you have a museum of
Egyptian and other objects
of antiquarian interest
in relation to medicine.

As I have been recently appointed Lecturer on the History of Medicine in the University of Edinburgh, and am engaged at present in the preparation of a short course upon ancient and mediæval medicine, I should esteem it a great favour if you would be good enough to let me see your collection.

I expect to be in London during the first fortnight of August and should all upon you then if you would kindly accord me this privilege.

Yours truly
John G. Courrie.

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