

807 SAINT PAUL STREET

Baltimore, June 2<sup>nd</sup> 1911.

Dear Osler,

Marburg left for Europe ten days ago. His address is care of Brown, Shipley and Co. 123 Pall Mall, London. I have written him, quoting from your letter the part relating to Parque's library. Can you not communicate with him directly. I question whether he will care to increase his donation of \$10,000 for the purchase of the library. If he should be willing to do so, he would probably wish to learn

first how Leighton's estimate compares with Sotheby's.

If the library is to be sold this summer, I shall have to leave with you the matter of securing it for us, as I start in a couple of weeks for Denver and Los Angeles to attend the meetings of the Tuberculosis Association and the A. M. A.

When these are over I am planning trips to Alaska, British Columbia, etc., returning here probably early in September.

I hope very much that you will be able to get the medical part of Payne's library for us. You will recall that while Marburg's

gift is counted in the endowment fund raised recently for the university, he specified that it should be for the purchase of the library.

What a wonderful time you had in Egypt. I enjoyed the cards you sent and the letters which I have seen.

I do wish that you were here to advise us about the clinical proposition. The initiative comes from Mr. Gates - a million dollars are in sight if we can use it along the general lines indicated in Mr. Fleener's report - I enclose a copy of this. There is certainly need of

improvement in the direction of getting a  
group of heads and associates, of three  
or four leading clinical departments  
to devote their whole time to the  
school and hospital and developing  
their subjects, as the laboratory  
method. The methods of teaching  
modern medicine and investigating it  
demands something of this kind.

If we do not do it, the money will  
go elsewhere where they are ready  
to take it up in carrying out the  
plan. We shall stand still or  
drop back unless we are ready to  
advance in this direction, which is  
that of coming reforms in medical  
education. But there are all sorts  
of difficulties - I shall try to write  
more soon - Love to yourself and Mrs.

Dear - your sincerely, William W. Welch