~~(Handwriting)~~ ~~(See remarks about Dr. Ross)~~ ~~(W.O. to H. A. Lafleur)~~

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Dr H A Lafleur from Wm.

Dear Laffie

I was very glad to have your letter today. Howard, MacDonnell & Ross - all gone since I left. Poor Ross! My thoughts have been much with him. Had we been in any way settled I should have gone up this night last week but we are camping still in two rooms and I did not care to leave madam (who has by the way a young Professor under contract) in all the wrack and ruin of painters plasterers & paper hangers. Had Ross not had some leven of the modern spirit I should not have been appointed in '74 and when the ice was once broken between us he was a warm friend and grew yearby year in my affections.

Now about yourself. What are your prospects for the chair and for the wards either at the R.V. or the M.G.H ? I suppose at the latter one of the O.D. Staff will go in but at the former your chances should be first class. I will write personal notes to all the Trustees and any others who may in your opinion be able to help. The Minnesota appointment would not be open until next Oct. but would be a good thing to fall back upon in case things do not go as we wish at home. There would be many things to try you but the school will be progressive and when they get a Hospital on the Campus the field would be good. I hope of course that all may be arranged to your satisfaction in Montreal.

I am hard at work on two monographs for the next six months task - Tuberculosis of the serous membranes and chorea. I often wish you were back again - the material grows more interesting every year. Hoch goes about Xmas. Billings and Ramsay are new men - both good fellows. I hope you will be able to come for a couple of weeks in the spring. There will be a room here for you & we might go off to Old Point for a few days or to Phila. Is your friend Martin still in Montreal? I want to send him a copy of my Aquanimitas address. You will have read or skimmed by this time my "Teacher & student" platitudes. × × × Yours Ever.

~~Mrs. Osler sends kind regards.~~

~~Yours ever~~
~~Wm Osler~~