Dear Mother,

Here goes the first of a new series - Salem - Amherst - Morgan - McGill - Montreal General now Physician and Surgeons of Columbia and Presbyterian. Each new step has marked growth in a thousand ways, yet through it all I have seemed to have remained essentially the same; the people and things dear to me from a very long time ago remain and probably always will remain just in the same place in my thinking and feeling, so much so that though separated from them, never estranged and the living force in this intangible bond which holds so tightly is you. This place is so immense and has so many ramifications that I haven't even found my way around
it yet. It had a good start, a
pleasure too, and effect to enjoy it
a lot. At the present time I am working
all day (and a good part of the night) in
the laboratory making determinations of
the components of blood in very ill
patients under Dr. John Scudder of
the Scudder Memorial Hospital,
Panjpet, India. He has been carrying
on experimental work here for 3 years
and is to continue his work at the
Rockefeller Institute on July 1, and
shall carry on the work here. He
gave me two days instruction in tech-
niques and then left on a short va-
cation and I've been doing some
This morning at 7 am I was called in
to interpret the blood findings on a
very sick patient with reference to
the diet therapy. Four days and
as consulting specialist already (but
between you and me I haven't the slight-
uest idea about what all these figures
mean in terms of living or not living).
Later on I hope to be able to
do some work in the clinics and
at least make the big weekly
rounds. What I get out of
this year will depend to a large
degree on the amount of work I
do and the ability to get along
with people and get them to
give out what they know. The-
her, I'll do both without too much
strain. There are some grand
people here, it's good to feel
the impact of new ideas and
the surge of creative activity.
Love to all,

Charlie