

To W. O. From Dr. Flick.

Philadelphia,  
March 17, 1904.

My dear Dr. Osler:

Your letter of 16th inst. to hand. I feel about Maragliano's Specific Therapy just as you do and always have felt that way. He, however, has been the most conservative exponent of the views which he holds and I have thought that it would be profitable to us in this country to have him come here and tell us what he has done and what his results have been.

I wrote you yesterday about the details arranged so far. If we have the lunch at 12.30 I think we can safely count on being free for the meeting by three o'clock; however, if you think better to call the meeting for three-thirty do so. I have secured the upper hall of the College of Physicians for three o'clock of that day.

In regard to the Lewis Congress you know how I feel about it. From what I have seen of Lewis' methods and from what I have been able to find out about the steps he has taken so far I am forced to the conclusion that it would be an irreparable blunder to <sup>take</sup> <sup>up</sup> his Congress. We should by all means have him to the meeting and I shall invite him to my luncheon. It is only proper that we should hear what he has to say and if he can show us that taking up his work where he leaves it off is for the good of the cause and will not place the medical profession of this country in a false light I am prepared to withdraw my objections.

Cordially yours,

Lawrence F. Flick.