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To George Ross ( )

June 19th. [1894] (Leipzig) [Leipzig]

Dear Ross. (49 Union Ave Mont°)

Shepherd forwarded me a letter this week which played the deuce with my peace of mind. Tyson wrote asking me if I would accept the Chair of Clin. Med. in Univ. of Penn. if appointed - His letter is quite unofficial & nothing may come of it, but after much meditation I decided to reply in the affirmative. The temptation is too great, but the prospect of severing my connection with McGill & Montreal gives me no end of worry. However, it may come to nought, but of course I wrote to H. at once. Now I think - as I told him, - it had better be kept quiet - not let a rumour get about if possible. It would only stir up another Hospital agitation. Shepherd may possibly have twigged it from the opening sentence of the letter. I sometimes think it may be a ~~wax~~ hoax but the matter of fact communication - wh. Howard has - does not look like it.

"My heart within me is even like melting wax" at the thought the possibility of leaving you all.

Yours sincerely

Wm Osler.

Rec^d a telegram to meet Wm Mitchell in London. It was a Sunday and he had not enough money to buy tickets.

Mrs. Mitchell was responsible (GRO says) for the cherry pie test to see if the stranger was a gentleman.