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Dear Botterell:

I was delighted to hear from you. It was quite unnecessary to write and thank me for the book. I enjoyed reading your report on the handling of traumatic cases. I think that kind of an analysis gives those of us who are a long way off a clearer picture of the situation. There is a possibility that I may see you before very long and, if so, I look forward very much to working with you and with the other men.

I have been working on a Manual of Neurosurgery. I hope they have shown you a copy of it as the D.G.M.S. was sending it to England for criticism. I will send a copy up to Ken MacKenzie also for him to read. The copy that went over was not finished. A good deal more detail was left to be done, particularly on the treatment of contaminated and infected wounds and the immediate treatment of the wounds themselves. Even if a second edition has to be issued in which errors are rectified, I think it may be worth while to have it issued so that we will all have something to aim at and to alter. Write to me directly about it with all suggestions possible.

Yours sincerely,

WGP/AD