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Dear Hugh,

You were a great fellow to have cabled me on the 27th of September. The message arrived just in time and I read it at the banquet which we held in the evening. Incidentally I am enclosing a menu of the banquet, thinking it might interest you. I wish you had been one of the guests.

WCP/H.L.
It never occurred to me while preparing to get this beastly place opened that it would cease being a nuisance and become a real pleasure at the time of the opening. On the day of the occasion, however, I was amazed to find how pleasant an experience it was. Your cablegram was one of the things that made me realize this, I suppose.

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Mrs. Penfield joins me in sending best wishes to your wife and to yourself.

Yours sincerely,

WGP/HL.

The picture on the front of the menu is a photograph of the ceiling of the entrance hall. The drawing of the neuroglia cell is from an original by Golgi. You will notice in the border the ventricle, and the Greek legend "Egkephalon de Trothenta Eidomen Iothenta" comes from Galen, and Francis has interpreted it as "I have seen a severely wounded brain healed." The hieroglyphics represent the word "brain", being the first appearance of that word in literature; it was taken from the Smith papyrus. The Ram, of course, symbolizes the head or the brain in astrology.