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204 South 48 St, Omaha, Nebr. Nov. 15, 1927.

Dear Dr. Miller:

Just a line to say thank you for the Aldis Printed Book and the Little Boke of Pestilence which arrived Saturday. I did not have the Aldis and am delighted to have it. It happned that Mr. Gilbert Deane the Librarian of the University of Nebraska, and a man who should be one of the officers of our club as his love of books entitled him to that place, was with us, and we passed the Little Boke on to him and he was delighted to have it. That is doing what I know you would have us do.

Yours very sincerely,

Myrtle A. Crummer

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204 South 48 St., Omaha, Nebr. Jan. 4, 1927.

My dear Dr. Miller:

A Seasons greeting to you has been returned because I addressed it to Watson, W.Va, and I am sure I also addressed a letter Doctor wrote you about a rare book to Watson so without waiting for its return as there is need of haste, am writing again. Dont know why- but several times I have written you at Watson dont know the assn. unless it is Dr. Watson and you being such a mighty bookhunter.

I dont know that I can tell you all that Doctor did but will try. The book is Rondelet's, de Natura Aquatillium Carmen, Lyons, 1558. 4to. numerous woodcuts of fishes and marine animals and the Ryff-Vassalius skeleton- one of the first on comparative anatomy. We found it last year in Paris, and it was lately in a catalog under Broussett and I ordered it for Dr. Christmas; it came just after Xmas and turned out to be a duplicate- Doctor said before we returned it we should offer it to you as it is a very rare book and we had been searching for it for years so I got a letter off for him about it but am sure I addressed it to Watson. Will you telegraph if you want it when you get this, as despite the fact that it was wrongly cataloged if we are not going to keep it, we ought to send it back.

Sincerely,

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about \$95 and Dr. says is a great bargain.
A description of it in Science, Vol. 5, p. 105.

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Cousin Pamela.
from
Billy Ann.
(6 wks.)

Nov. 18, 1927.

Dear Mrs. Crummer:

Your letters of the 10th. and 15th. duly received and am glad to learn the Aldis was a new book to you, am sure you will enjoy it; also that you were able to hand the other book over to one who is already a lover of books.

While on the subject of books about books am going to mention a few that are not only delightful but valuable as reference books and if you don't happen to have them already would advise your getting them. No doubt you read Dr. Rosenbach's articles in the Saturday Evening Post and the Atlantic, and if so you were indeed glad to know it was to appear in book form. It is just off the press under the title of "Books and Bidders". His "Unpublishable Memoirs" 1917 is also delightful. Another new book that is most interesting and valuable is Wm. Dana Orcutt's "The Kingdom of Books"--the story of the evolution of printing with particular accounts of those printers whom he calls "Prime Ministers to King Book". Both are from the press of Little Brown & Co., No doubt you have the famous "Book Hunter" books, all different authors and dates of publication such as The Book Hunter by Burton, The Book Hunter in London by Roberts, The Book Hunter in Paris by Uzanne, and the Book Hunter at Rome by Allan. Flower's Short History of English Printing, and Pinner's Early Illustrated Books are most valuable as well as Haslem's little handbook of "Genuine Trade Secrets and Instructions for cleaning, repairing and restoring old Mss., Engravings and Books. And lastly that delightful little "Philobiblon of Richard De Bury" Bishop of Durham, the mss of which he completed on his 58th. birthday, the 24th. of January 1345. If you haven't a copy and would like to read it I will lend you mine. It was translated into English and published in 1913 and no doubt is now out of print. I haven't seen either of the books you mentioned but had already ordered a copy of Mr. Sawyer's work before your letter came, but had never heard of Young's "Delicious Vice" so ordered it at once from a N.Y. dealer, and am anticipating a pleasant evening with it.

And now to a less pleasant subject. The Sommering which you say "has gone forward to you by parcel post" has not arrived, though your letter was dated the 10th. Am hoping that it happened not to have been mailed and so will be coming later. If it was posted please have your postmaster start a tracer after it.

I haven't seen the Newton article on children's books as I do get the Ladies Home Journal, except an occasional copy when someone mentions some special article in it, but will get one and read it.

Dr. Crummer's reprint of his address in London on the plates of Gemini in Raynalde was with the other reprints he sent me and I think I mentioned before how much I enjoyed it, it not, let me say so now. It presented a new angle on Raynalde as I had seen nothing before regarding the origin of the plates.

While I think of it, will you folks be in New York during the holidays? If so please give me your city address that I may have the pleasure of hunting you up and getting better acquainted.

Will write you at once if the Sommering comes in.

Sincerely,

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204 South 48 St, Omaha, Nebr.
Nov. 10, 1927.

Dear Dr. Miller:

Tucked away behind some books I found the Sommering you ordered and it has gone forward to you by parcel post. Mr. Ballard of the Boston Medical wrote me that he was sending back a Mead that came in his parcel by mistake and I thought of course it was the catalog, but a few days later it arrived and was to my deep chagrin "The Mechanical account of poisons." I am still checking the library and have not given up.

I wonder if we sent you Dr. Crummers article on the plates of Gemini and Raynalde which he made before the Royal Society of Medicine in London last year and which was published in their proceedings. I think he has reprints and if we did not include it in the batch of reprints we sent, will send it on. It adds nothing of course to the Sir D'Arcy Power so far as Raynalde is concerned but he has a nice theory about Gemini and Raynalde, whoever Raynalde was, being friends.

We loved what you said about the Chuacer overcoat and the obstetric Buick. All collectors are the same. Last year we met in London and in Paris, Mr and Mrs. A Edward Newton, and we had with us a young Omaha girl, and in Paris she said to Mrs. Newton, I must tell you a greak joke on the Crummers - the cigarettes they smoke are 80 cents a package in Paris, so Dr. Crummer buys one each of his own and his wife's brand and then a half dozen of a cheap french kind, and they only smoke the kind they like after meals- they must save at least ten cents a day that way, and Mrs. Newton who is as great a bibliophile as her husband said, I dont think thats funny at all, Ned always carries cheap cigars to smoke in taxis and on the street and smokes his expensive ones only after meals, and inasmuch as he had just paid \$62,500 for the First Folio Shakespeare, the Omaha maiden decided that we were all quite MAD and we are but none of us want to be cured. Did you ever read Alison Young's "A Delicious Vice" the young son of a friend of ours was arrested in Evanston, ILL for reading it on a bench in a public park, and when he was taken to the station, the delicious vice turned out to be "book collecting."

We have just had a delightful letter from Mr. Newton. Did you read his article in the current Ladies Home Journal about children's books. I have never enjoyed anything more. Every book he mentioned I had read and wept over when a child.

Doctor was greatly interested in your account of the rubber glove in the Watson lecture. He also is always reading and translating portions of his old books and amazed at what he finds there and concludes that after all medicine has not progressed so much.

Sorry I forgot to tell you that we have "A little boke of pestilence" Thanks just the same.

Dont think if we are ever lucky enough to get down to Thomas that we will spend any time out in the sunshine however fine, we will spend all the time we have with the books, theres plenty of sunshine in Nebraska.

Did you get Charles J. Sawyer, the London bookseller's new bibliography of English books from 1485 to 1900- Duttons have it and its a mine of information on English books generally though few ~~enough~~ medical books are mentioned.

I had~~x~~ never cataloged my own books except to list them on cards with price and date purchased, but after his book arrived, I started in to make an exhaustive catalog of my own English lit. I can see where I have a hard winters work before me. I have already had some pleasant surprises and some unpleasant. Found I had some books that were rare and with all the "points" that I did not know and that others were "wrong" and from the collectors standpoint worthless, but then that part~~x~~ of the game.

Sincerely,

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