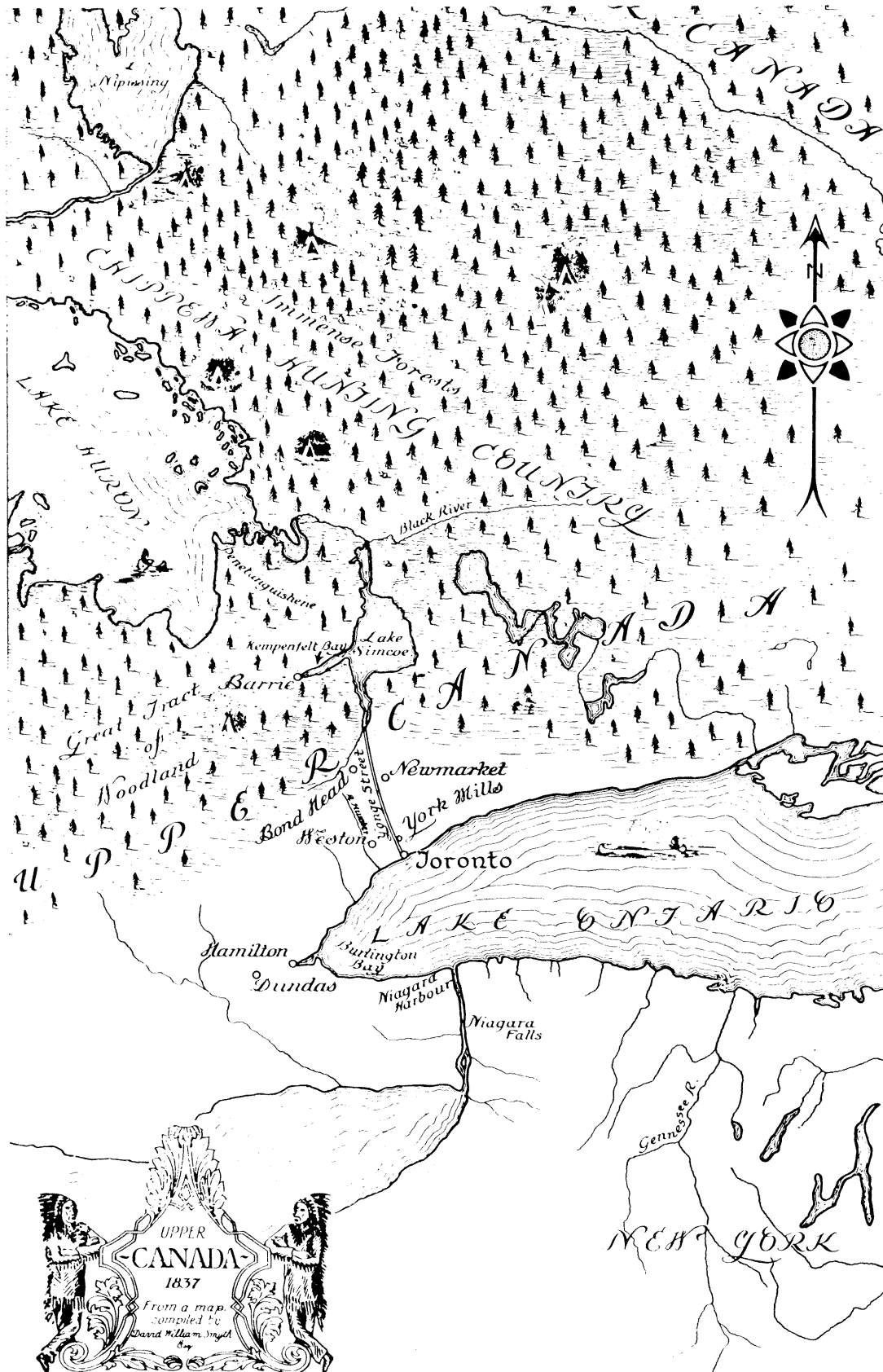


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12 May 1981



- 9:00 - 9:05 Remarks in Welcome Dean J. C. Laidlaw
Chairman: Peter D. Olch
- 9:05 - 9:30 Osler's Roots in Dundas William B. Spaulding
- 9:30 - 9:55 Osler's Relations with William Peterson,
Principal of McGill University,
1898-1919 R. Palmer Howard
- 9:55 - 10:20 Osler-Packard Letters at the College of
Physicians of Philadelphia Samuel X. Radbill
Ronald Kotrc

Break

- 10:30 - 10:55 William Osler and Tait McKenzie H. Alexander Heggteit
- 10:55 - 11:20 On Brains and Osler's Brain William B. Bean
- 11:20 - 11:45 The Penfield Papers; Pitfalls and
Priorities William Feindel

**Luncheon, The Green Room,
Health Centre Cafeteria**

Chairman: William C. Gibson

- 1:30 - 1:55 Charles Richet, Physiologist, Playwright and
Rival of the Wright Brothers Stewart Wolf
- 1:55 - 2:20 The Clendening-Knopf Correspondence Robert P. Hudson
- 2:20 - 2:45 Conan Doyle's M.D. Thesis: An Example of
Fallacious Medical Reasoning Alvin E. Rodin
Jack D. Key
- 2:45 - 3:10 A. Bicentennial Search for Laennec Paul D. Kligfield

Break

- 3:20 - 3:50 Business Meeting
- 4:00 Bus tour to 30 South Street, Dundas, home of the Osler family from
1857 till 1882. Members of the Society are guests of Mrs. Eleanor Jackson.

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- 6:30 Reception at the Tamahaac Club, Ancaster - Courtesy of the
Faculty of Health Sciences, McMaster University

- 7:30 Annual Banquet

Presidential Address by Peter D. Olch

“Osler's Clinical Prig: William S. Halsted”

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. . . those that know how I live, may justly say,
I regard not life, nor stand in fear of death,

Sir Thomas Browne

The AMERICAN OSLER SOCIETY has been founded for the purpose of bringing together members of the medical and allied professions who are, by their common inspiration, dedicated to memorialize and perpetuate the just and charitable life, the intellectual resourcefulness and the ethical example of William Osler (1849 - 1919). This, for the benefit of succeeding generations, that their motives be ever more sound, that their vision be on everbroadening horizons, and that they sail not as Sir Thomas Browne's Ark, without oars and without rudder and sails and, therefore, without direction.

A CHRONOLOGY OF OSLERIAN SITES IN ONTARIO

Bond Head: Home of the Osler Family, 1837 - 1857

Bond Head, largely surrounded by "stump farms", was still (in 1841) on the edge of the wilderness. The elder children well remember migratory visits of Chippewa Indians to the parsonage . . . Bond Head was by this time (1849) a growing village of some two hundred souls, and boasted not only of a doctor, Orlando Orr, who officiated at the births of the younger Osler children, but of a school-house, a blacksmith-shop, a tavern, and a lodge. (*Cushing, Life of Sir William Osler, vol. 1, pp. 13-14*)

Dundas: Home of the Osler Family, 1857 - 1882

There was every prospect that Dundas, then a town of some 3,000 souls, possessing a daily newspaper! and seven churches!! was destined to become the chief city at the western end of the lake. The great highway, Governor's Road or Dundas Street, passed through it to the west; it had a splendid water power, and the Desjardin Canal, cut through the marshes for a distance of five miles, connected it with the ideal land-locked harbour made by Burlington Bay. All this bid fair at the time to ensure its future growth and prosperity. One of the most attractive features of the lower valley was the huge marsh, long called "Coote's Paradise," after an early sportsman of Governor Simcoe's time, who spent much of his leisure in shooting game there; and in the course of years, as will be seen, this same marsh became the hunting-ground for zoological specimens by a young naturalist and his preceptor. (*Cushing, vol. 1, p. 21*)

Barrie: Willie Osler's Boarding School Site, 1864 - 65

Which one of many escapades led to his final dismissal makes little difference . . . At all events, expelled he was, with his four accomplices . . . Thus Willie Osler came to be sent away the next autumn to a boarding-school, and following the footsteps of his brothers was entered in the grammar-school at Barrie, a town on the western arm of Lake Simcoe, half-way between his old home at Bond Head and Penetanguishene. (*Cushing, vol. 1, pp. 22-23*)

Weston: The Second Boarding School, 1865 - 67

The reputation of the Barrie school being at this time on the wane, this, together with its distance from Dundas, must have influenced the boy's parents in favour of a change. A circular had been received by them describing a new school recently opened at Weston, a town on the Humber, a few miles west of Toronto, and a paragraph in the circular stated that senior boys would go into the drawing-room in the evening and be taught music, dancing, and painting . . . to the school he was sent, and here something not advertised, but far more important than those parlour accomplishments, was found — namely, a real master, "who knew nature and how to get boys interested in it". . . It was a humble setting at Weston, a square, two-storied, plastered house which served as parsonage as well as school, in which Johnson, his wife, and three children lived, together with as many boys as could be crowded in. . . (*Cushing, vol. 1, pp. 26-27, 31*)

Toronto: University 1867 - 70

With his four daughters Bovell lived on Spadina Avenue, and the young Osler soon after his entrance to Trinity began to frequent the place "to keep the aquaria stocked with pond material likely to contain good specimens of algae"; and also to gather and study a variety of animals which shortly overflowed to 112 St. Patrick Street after one of the daughters married a Mr. Barwick and moved there to live. . . as soon as he heard of his young friend's decision he exclaimed: "That's splendid, come along with me." This the boy literally did, and during the next two years the two lived more like father and son than as teacher and pupil. . . (*Cushing, vol. 1, pp. 49, 54*)

Hamilton: Locum Tenens, 1874

He also served for a month as locum tenens for Dr. Charles O'Reilly, a McGill graduate who had long been Resident Physician at the City Hospital in Hamilton, and tradition relates that he took the post "for the consideration of \$25 and a pair of old-fashioned elastic-sided boots which had proved too small for Charlie O'Reilly." (*Cushing, Vol. 1, p. 120*)

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