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13, NORHAM GARDENS,
OXFORD.

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Dear Jacob

Xmas greetings to us both. This should reach you in time, but boats are few these days & Submarines plentiful. We plod on much the same, only with the added anxiety of Reeve on the ocean, but he writes so cheerily & seems wonderfully happy. 'Tis a dirty business though for a laddie of his type, but I suppose he will get

used to it & return to the
stone-age with the rest of
them. I must send you one
of his letters. He seems with
very nice fellow. They poured
away day & night at spots
indicated to them by the air-
men.
We have been in the thick of
this Sam Hughes business -
an awful boundER, so glad
he has gone, but he left a
nice row in the C.A. med.
corps. I expect the first
batch of 60 of my americans
next week for the London
army Hospital. I shall meet
them & help Blenkinsop to
settle them. There will be
many more needed. a
new division are formed

Have the Library all rearranged & shelf-
marked & the Catalogue up to date. My sec.
is still away but Hill from Bodley comes every evening
& a vestal who has been helping me with
my incunabula study, has come to work
permanently on the Catalogue, with a view to
printing (ultimately)
Tue chapin is with us. Norman Gwyn has had
Trench fever. Rolleston is much with the Grand
Fleet. We had the three Maggs brothers here for
a day - to see the Shakespeare Exhibition & such
nice men. You will have from me Sayles. Ages
of man for Xmas - interesting.
Love to Miss Jacks.

Yours sincerely

Wm Osler