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**A DOCTOR'S
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To John Dawson English

Christmas 1912.

And Pringle.

With the belief that you will
bring opportunity in character
ability and sentiment of this
little gift.

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TO
S. WEIR MITCHELL
GREAT PHYSICIAN AND BELOVED MAN OF LETTERS
THIS BOOK WITH SINCERE AFFECTION
IS INSCRIBED BY
THE WRITER

NOTE

IN consigning this little book to a kind and ingenuous public, I make one emphatic protest: the fictitious persons here described do not represent actual individuals. Dr. Primrose, Dr. Ely, Dr. James, Dr. Flaxman, Dr. Consequence, Scholasticus, Scriba, and the rest have no true prototypes. They are composite studies. There is one exception: Dr. Optimus (chapter vi) is that remarkable man, Dr. Edward Fitch Cushing, of Cleveland, and my very dear friend, now dead.

Actual public and historical characters are not disguised, but are truly named in the text.

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