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*Dear Miss Yeats,*

Thank you for your letter of 17th July.

My comments about the Gosport War Memorial Hospital were correctly reported. Medical practice has changed in recent years and it is no longer possible for doctors to prescribe a range of medicines, leaving a level of discretion to nurses.

Personally, I regret the litigious spirit which has caused doctors to become more defensive.

For the record, I disagree with a number of the statements you make in your letter, and the manner in which you express these.

*Yours sincerely,*

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