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HISTORICAL REVIEW

This first historical review is dedicated to the memory of the famous Croatian medical historian, Professor Mirko Dražen Grmek, who passed away in Paris on March 6, 2000. Professor Grmek graduated from the School of Medicine in 1951 and as early as the next year he headed the Medicine History Department of the Institute of Medical Research in Zagreb. He was the first Croatian physician with Ph.D. in the history of medicine. He defended his doctoral dissertation in 1958 in Zagreb. In 1971, he was awarded his doctor's degree in philosophy at Sorbonne in Paris, and in 1987 in classical philology and humanities in Lausanne. Professor Grmek wrote about twenty books, many of them internationally recognized. He was editor of the Croatian Medical Bibliography, Medical Encyclopedia, Liječnički vjesnik, Archives internationales

d'Histoire des Sciences, and History and Philosophy of the Life Sciences.

As a renowned historian of medicine and biological sciences in Croatia and in his second homeland, France, as well as in the world, he was honorary member of many academies, decorated with the French Legion of Honor order, etc.

Looking at his vast and highly valuable opus of writings, we have to cite a part of his text dedicated to the famous historian of medicine, Henry E. Sigerist: "It is quite embarrassing that all that powerful, impulsive will has vanished with the inevitability of death, and that such rich knowledge and experience, painstakingly collected over decades, have been simply wiped off and irretrievably lost" (Liječnički vjesnik 1957;79:438-40).

Vaša preuzvišenost!

Čim radosti, da će se moći Vašoj preuzvišenosti predstaviti i pokloniti došao sam ovu večer u bolnicu, kad mezon g. prof. Vojnović nam javi, da je izročeli prijepodjoradi radi promjene vlakova. Čzvoelite primiti moji najkoneiji zahvala na lijenu!

kojega su secunati kao a spomean uisega prvoga miša, i kojia je me osobi-to oacitorali.

O zahvalosti nemije biti gona jer nisam miša činio, što mi neti dušnost i usjepe u bolnici uacovilo — a zaad. nožan sam što je noge puci. gosp. Cepelici tako liepo zacielilo.

Vaše preuzvišenosti naj pokloniji

Zagreb 15. VI 1890

Fig. 1. The letter of prof. dr. Teodor Wickerhauser to the bishop Josip Juraj Strossmayer in 1890.

