

40, Murray Road,
Wimbledon Common,
S.W.

24 May 1928.

Dear North,

Many thanks for your letter & cutting & for the promise of R.M. Smith's pamphlet on the Second Folio. I will turn the latter over to the library of the Bibliographical Society, as Smith sent me a copy and I'd had another to review. It is a good book (though Winship seems to have found some flaws in it) & I hope to get some word out of him for the Short Title Catalogue, the conversion of which into Annals of English Printing is likely to prove a tough job. I have been very well lately and while staying at Lyndhurst in the New Forest found that I had got back some of my powers of walking, which for a full twelve months

had been v. cramped by my having snapped
some little ligaments near the tendon Achilles
in my right foot in April of last year.
It is jolly to be able to walk ten miles
again, though $3\frac{1}{4}$ miles an hour
seems to be my limit of speed.

I lunched on Monday with Frank
Altschul (& his very nice wife) having
previously had some fragmentary talk
with him at another lunch in honour
of the opening of the First Editions Club
at Bedford Square. I haven't joined
the Club yet myself, as unless I could
carry a little group of friends with me
it would be no use to me personally, &
the little group of friends don't at present
seem inclined to come along. Symonds, the
proprietor of the Club, has excellent taste,
& the house in Bedford Square has been
charmingly fitted & decorated, & at the
present time they have on an admirable
exhibition of the books of "private presses".

I find that editing The Library and
attending to my correspondence & writing
a few reviews about Satchels my main
for work at present, and that anything
I try to do in excess of this goes very slowly.
However I plod along & have now
revised my share in the Globe Chances
& rewritten some bibliographical articles
wh. I contributed to the Encyclopaedia Britan.
in 1911, & which
had to be both abridged & brought up
to date, a horrid task.

On Saturday I am going for the Whitman
week end to Joyce at Bath, and hope
to give her Mrs. North's kind messages.
I am very sorry to hear that she & her
Mrs. North herself has not been well.
& hope for better news next time you
write.

Ever yours sincerely,
Alfred Pollard