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SOME PRACTICAL POINTS IN THE RECOGNITION AND TREATMENT OF DISEASES OF THE SKIN.*

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When your Secretary honoured me with an invitation to appear before you at this meeting and to present a paper upon some subject connected with the branch of medicine to which I have devoted my life, I felt some embarrassment in regard to the selection of a theme upon which to address you. It would be very easy to present a report of rare cases, and I might also discourse upon some of the rarer diseases which have been from time to time described, or present some new methods of treatment, but such matters belong rather to the special societies, and would be of relatively little interest or value to general practitioners.

It has occurred to me, therefore, that what was rather wanted at these gatherings of the general profession was the experience of those who had devoted time and thought to their particular branch, and that I could best serve my medical brethren of Canada by giving some practical suggestions which have come to me from twenty-five years' experience in treating diseases of the skin. It is with a little hesitancy that I take so broad a topic as that which I have chosen, but craving your kind indulgence, I will endeavour to be as brief and practical as possible, and trust that my efforts may not be without a certain measure of success.

The limitations of this short paper will prevent my entering at all fully on the topics which I may present, for each one is capable of elaboration to almost any

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