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ADDRESS OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE CANADIAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION.*

By Dr. Harrison, Selkirk, Ont.

Gentlemen of the Association :

M^Y first duty, as well as my pleasure, is to thank you for the honor you have done me in placing me in this position, an honor as unexpected as it was unsought. In fact, I might well have great misgivings as to my ability to fill it, for I need not tell you the mantle of my many able predecessors has not fallen on my shoulders, and I should not have accepted it had I not felt that I could rely upon your assistance and indulgence.

The subject of my address has been one of grave consideration. I might have taken the history of medicine or surgery, but it is trite, and has been worn threadbare. The history of the developments and improve-

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