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BY THE PRESIDENT, DR. ALLEN BAINES, TORONTO.

FELLOWS of the Toronto Clinical Society, I beg to thank you heartily for the honor conferred on me by election to the highest office in this Society. It is with considerable diffidence, I can assure you, that I assume an office which has, in past years, been occupied by men whose skilful work and honest zeal have raised them to the high position in our medical world which they now hold. Comparing myself with such, I, of course, feel indeed most unworthy, and I ask the Society to-night to deal charitably with whatsoever shortcomings may be found in me, and to rest assured that I will do my best to follow in the steps of these my predecessors and to advance the objects and purposes of our Society. To this end I hope to procure for every meeting subject matter of such true clinical importance as to ensure the most earnest discussion and the most valuable deductions therefrom. In this manner your interest will be gained and the meetings will become a "multum in parvo" of clinical instruction, and will escape the ever present danger of deteriorating into a mere airing ground for medical