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AT THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CANADIAN MEDICAL ASSOCIA-TION, HELD AT OTTAWA, SEPTEMBER 21, 1892.

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Gentlemen,—Allow me in the first place to offer you my most heartfelt thanks for the great honour you have conferred on me in electing me President of the Canadian Medical Association; and while I appreciate your kindness and feel proud of the distinction, the high honour only makes me more conscious of my inability to fill the position with credit to the profession and satisfaction to myself. Following as I do my immediate predecessor, Dr. Roddick, only makes this more obvious. But I trust you will extend to me a helping hand, and at the same time shut your eyes to my deficiencies.

Now I am not going to deliver a scientific address on medicine or surgery, as that duty has been delegated to those much better able to perform the task than I am, but will take instead a review of Medical Education and the advances made in that direction since the birth of this Association twenty-five years ago; secondly, say something about Medical Reciprocity between the Provinces and the barriers that now exist to prevent this, and how they may be removed; and thirdly, the influence that this Association ought to exert, not only over the medical profession, but also over the public from one end of this great Dominion to the other. And what time could be more fitting or what place more appropriate for such a retrospect? We meet to-day to celebrate our silver