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### ADDRESS OF THE RETIRING PRESIDENT.

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*Mr. President and Members of the Ontario Dental Society:* On the occasion of my retirement from the highest office in the gift of this Society, I desire to express my sincere thanks and gratitude for the kind consideration received at your hands. As a mark of distinction, the honor conferred upon me has been fully appreciated, and I may express the hope that any shortcoming or oversight on my part in safe-guarding the interests of the Society, or any seeming discourtesy to any member of the profession, will be received by you in a spirit of charity, as I assure you it has been entirely inadvertent. The harmonious desire and united effort of the management to make this meeting one of marked success deserve special mention and commendation. I can say, in all candor, that if anything should mar the pleasure, or deduct from the profit of this peculiar occasion, it will be something beyond their control, and will occur despite their most zealous efforts to prevent it.

I have called it a peculiar occasion. This you will easily understand when you remember that this meeting of the Ontario Dental Society has either incorporated, or been incorporated into the celebration of the thirtieth anniversary of the statutory measure known as "An Act Respecting Dentistry." Without dwelling on these distinctions, we trust that general interest will centre, not in one or other, but that the significance will be attached to the united meeting. A feast has been prepared, the guests have been invited, and now we sincerely hope that a hearty response may crown the efforts of the management, and that many eager appe-