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### VALEDICTORY ADDRESS TO THE GRADUATING CLASS, UNIVERSITY OF BISHOP'S COLLEGE, FACULTY OF MEDICINE

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Mr. Chancellor, My Lord, Mr. Dean, Ladies and Gentlemen and my dear friends, erstwhile students, and now co-workers in the field of medicine and surgery:—Time in its relentless, never-ceasing, ever-recurring cycles, has again brought us to another halting place, given us a brief respite to regain a firmer foot-hold; an opportunity to make good the advance we have won. For the twenty-eighth time in the history of this Faculty, teacher and taught have met in the presence of the Corporation of the University and its many friends, to say the parting words, to give the encouraging hand-shake, and wish the God-speed that marks the confidence reposed in you by those who for four years have worked with you and for you; that marks the end of your struggles in the smaller school of Medicine, and the commencement of your fight in the larger school of Life. May your efforts in that larger University be as faithful and crowned with as much success as marks the end of our preparatory academic career. As I stand to-day to represent your various teachers, to bid you farewell at the portals of the University that has been your home for so long, I unconsciously cast my eyes backward, and see the long line of those who have preceded me in this task, and hear echo-