

TO THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION

FOR

The Province of Ontario.

SIR,

I BEG respectfully to offer myself as a candidate for the Chair of Logic and Metaphysics in the University of Toronto.

I was born at Edinburgh, Scotland, in 1860. On completing my school course at George Watson's College in that city, I matriculated, in 1876, in the University of Edinburgh; where, for the sake of the special advantages offered in Mental Philosophy, I supplemented the usual curriculum of undergraduate study by a special course in that department, obtaining the Degree of Master of Arts, with First Class Honours in Philosophy, in April, 1881.

After graduation, I continued my academic studies in Germany, where I spent two semesters, at the Universities of Leipsig and Jena respectively.

During my undergraduate course at Edinburgh University, I gained, among other honours, the First Medal and Prize in the Class of Moral Philosophy, a Medal for the special study of Kant, and the First Medal and Bruce of Grangehill and Falkland's Prize in the Advanced Class of Metaphysics. After graduation, I obtained, in December 1881, the J. E. Baxter Scholarship in Philosophy, open to graduates of the University of Edinburgh, of not more than three years' standing; and, in the following autumn, the Ferguson Scholarship in Philosophy, open to graduates of all the Scottish Universities, of not more than two years' standing.