

as a creation. We, knowing our *confrères* in the old country and in this Canada of ours, know that Weellum MacLure is more truly a likeness, and in a kindly little preface to this new edition, the author acknowledges as much. "To answer a question," says he, "that has been often and fairly asked, Was there ever any doctor so self-forgetful and so utterly Christian as William MacLure? To which I am proud to reply, on my conscience, not one man but many in Scotland and in the South country. I will prophecy also across the sea."

It warms our hearts to feel assured that the profession we love is capable of producing, and is ever producing, men like the doctor of Drumtochty. And in the days when our spirits are low, and we doubt whether the world appreciates us: when hours of care appear only to be repaid by forgetfulness, or by a desire not to obtrude the thought of unpaid debts upon us, it is pleasant to meet with those who read into the doctor, what he would be and what he tries to be.

Who can read, without being more deeply stirred than he cares to acknowledge, perhaps even to himself, the doctor's night with Drumisheugh at Saunders' cottage, and the fight with death; and who of us cannot picture vividly the visit of Sir George to the glen, and the great operation. Altogether, if there be any members of our profession who have not read the book, we counsel them to read it forthwith, aye, and we counsel their patients to do the same. In talking thus of the doctor, we have for the moment neglected the doctor's horse, who is in her way almost as fine a creation as the doctor himself, and who like him, has been most sympathetically rendered by the artist. In short, the illustrations to this exquisite little volume are thoroughly in keeping with the high standard of the book, in every other respect.

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