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Gentlemen,—

My first duty as President of the Manitoba Medical Association is to thank you for my election, October 8th, 1908, at the time of the formation of our Association—an event of vast importance to the future welfare of our profession in this province. The position carries with it the responsibility of delivering an annual address. According to a wise tradition this address should not be technical but rather in the direction of our special interests and local needs. In the year 1891 a strenuous endeavor was made to form a provincial association. At the organization meeting Dr. J. H. O'Donnell was elected President and I was Secretary. This inaugural meeting was a most gratifying success in every way—in point of attendance, the production of excellent papers and in profitable discussion. As a reward for my work as Secretary, I was made President-elect, contrary to my emphatic protest because I felt I could be more useful as Secretary. I was absent in England for a time in 1892, hence I could exert no personal and direct influence in regard to our contemplated annual meeting. Our Secretary did nothing. The