

*From the REVEREND JAMES P. SHERRATON, D.D., Principal of  
Wycliffe College, Toronto.*

I UNDERSTAND that an appointment is to be made forthwith to the Chair of History in the University of Toronto, and that you are a candidate for the position. The unqualified success of your work as Lecturer in History during the past two years furnishes the best proof of your fitness for the Chair. In regard to this there can be but one opinion in the University. You have placed the work upon a higher plane than it previously occupied, and given a new impetus to the study. Your lecturing has been characterized by lucidity and thoroughness, and the appreciation and enthusiasm of the students is, to my mind, a most satisfactory evidence of its efficiency. The record of these two years is also to me especially a gratifying confirmation of the opinion I expressed at the close of the nine years during which you held the position of Lecturer in Church History and Apologetics in Wycliffe College. Your career here was marked from year to year by your conscientious devotion to your work, your ever-advancing knowledge of your subject, and your skill and success as a teacher.

Your interest in the students has never been confined to the lecture room, and your influence over them has been sustained and augmented by your personal character and demeanour as a Christian gentleman. I sincerely believe that your appointment to the Chair of History will be in the best interests of the University and will redound to its honour, and most heartily support your application.