

berlain, who will always be gratefully remembered as the statesman who taught us to think tropically, this school has had the great advantage of the guidance and the prestige of the name of Sir Patrick Manson, the dean of all students of tropical medicine. To him more than to any one man we owe the strong position occupied by the subject to-day in Great Britain. You have been singularly fortunate in securing a staff of teachers well known for their researches in tropical medicine, such as Sandwith, Simpson, Duncan, Cantlie, and Sambon, a director of such unusual experience as Daniels, and such well-recognized authorities as Leiper and Wenyon on helminthology and parasitology. In the heart of the Empire, in its richest and largest city, to which all the world pays tribute, one naturally expects a foundation commensurate with its advantages and responsibilities. With the aid of the Government and a few liberal friends a good start has been made and the school has taken a strong position among the educational institutions of the country. In the short time of its existence, it has trained nearly 1,000 men for work in the colonies and dependencies, it has fostered original research in tropical diseases, and it has been an important centre for the diffusion of scientific knowledge. Need I dwell upon its peculiarly fortunate situation in the very midst of the commerce of the world, where sailors from every region congregate, bringing with them the diseases peculiar to their homes. The possibilities exist for the greatest of all schools of tropical medicine if London will but rise to the occasion. Liberal and encouraging at the outset, the Government has taken the usual course and has thrown upon the public the chief responsibility for its support. After reading a statement of the finances of the school furnished by the secretary, I am astonished that so much good work has been done with so meagre an endowment. Only the self-sacrificing devotion of the staff has enabled the school to achieve its marked success. I am

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