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## *Original Contributions.*

**SOME INCIDENTS IN THE LIFE OF JOHN HUNTER,  
ANATOMIST AND SURGEON.\***

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GENTLEMEN,—The duty has devolved upon me of delivering the opening lecture of the Medical Faculty of the University of Toronto. This is the beginning of the thirteenth session since the re-establishment of the Medical Faculty in the University, and during the dozen years which have elapsed marked progress has been made in improving the facilities for medical education in our University. As I became a member of the teaching staff the year after reorganization I can speak from personal experience of a little more than a decade. Further, it has been my duty for the past five years to act as Secretary of the Faculty, and in that capacity I have had special opportunities for observation. Further development and improvement is greatly needed in various departments, but I think we may congratulate ourselves that the standard of teaching, and the facilities afforded for thorough training in our laboratories and hospitals, as well as in the lecture theatre, are worthy of the Provincial University.

The conceptions which I had of university life were first formed as a student in the University of Edinburgh, and when I became connected with the University of Toronto I was wholly at a loss to understand the conditions which then existed. The Medical Faculty had just been reorganized, and many bitter opponents

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\* Opening lecture of the Medical Faculty of the University of Toronto, 1899-1900.