

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND,  
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Having known Dr. MONTIZAMBERT intimately for several years, I have great pleasure in strongly recommending him for the appointment to which he aspires, feeling assured that the duties connected with it will be discharged with credit to himself, with satisfaction to his patrons, and with lasting benefit to his patients.

Dr. MONTIZAMBERT was distinguished at Edinburgh, not more for his intellectual powers than for his assiduity and perseverance. He obtained honors in Surgery, Chemistry and Midwifery, and is one of the very few whose written examination papers were so excellent as to induce the Senatus to forego a further oral examination, than which no higher compliment can be paid to the proficiency of the student.

While Dr. MONTIZAMBERT was thus eminent in the learning and theory of his profession, he did not neglect to test the value of his knowledge by practice and observation. He acted under me as Dresser, and subsequently as Chief Assistant, while I officiated as Resident Surgeon to the Clinical Surgical wards of the Royal Infirmary of Edinburgh. I found him at all times intelligent, amiable and obliging; and his attentions to the patients were such, that I had no hesitation, when called upon, to attend to outdoor duties, to leave him in full charge of the wards. On such occasions his conduct elicited my entire approval, as it earned the gratitude of those entrusted to his care.

In addition to a very successful University career and considerable experience as an Hospital Surgeon, Dr. MONTIZAMBERT has the manner and bearing of a perfect gentleman—qualities of great importance in public institutions, deriving lustre not more from the liberality of their founders than from the eminence of their officers.

I heartily wish him success, both for his own sake, and for the sake of the Hospital with which he seeks to become identified.

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