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Mr. President and Gentlemen.—I have to thank you for the honor you have done me in asking me to deliver the special address on ophthalmology at this meeting of the Canadian Medical Association, and more especially do I appreciate it from the fact that this meeting is held in my native city. One cannot but feel a certain amount of diffidence in addressing such a large assembly of one's fellow-workers in our noble profession, but I trust that what I have to tell you may both be of interest to you and also of some assistance in the prosecution of your professional calling.

I must claim to a certain extent the indulgence of my fellow-workers in ophthalmology, who may be here, if I do not present them anything very advanced. I would remind them of the fact that I am here to deliver an address to the profession as a whole, and that technical points which would be of interest to them might be far from interesting to the majority of my hearers. Yet what I have to say may not be lacking in interest for them.

I have chosen as the subject-matter of my paper a few salient points in the diagnosis and treatment of the more common diseases of the eye. My communication will be almost

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