this Fort for a period extending over more than six years of my charge, during which time he has been in constant communication with myself; and in his medical capacity in connection with the Hudson's Bay Company's employees and the natives of the country. Having been almost daily associated with him from our mutual positions, I have had every opportunity of witnessing his energy and zeal, and I have much pleasure in testifying not only to his care and assiduity, but to the uniform kindness and consideration which he has combined, with the attention and skill he has ever displayed in the discharge of the duties of his profession."

J. FORTESCUE,

Chief Factor in Charge,

5th Sept. 1884. Hudson's Bay Company.

Copy of canvassing paper sent Fellows of Royal Society of Canada, by Professor Bell. F. R. S., LL. D., M. D., F. G. S., etc., etc., Assistant Director of the Royal Geological Survey of Canada.

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THE VACANCY IN SECTION IV. OF THE ROYAL SOCIETY.

Sir:—The deaths of Mr. George Barnston and Mr. Alexander Murray have left a vacancy for at least one new Fellow in Section IV. of the Royal Society. I would respectfully beg to propose Doctor Percy Mathews, Medical Officer to the Hon'ble Hudson's Bay Company, and now a resident at Fort York, as a fit and proper person for election to the vacant