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ADDRESS OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE CANADIAN  
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BY JAMES THORBURN, M.D.,

TORONTO.

I DESIRE, in the first place, to thank you for the honor you have conferred upon me in making me the president of this great association. I consider it the highest honor in the gift of the profession of the Dominion of Canada. When I think of the eminence of my predecessors, I have great apprehension of my ability to meet your expectations; but, gentlemen, relying on your kind assistance and loyal support, I will fulfil the duties of my office to the best of my skill.

During the past year many bright men have gone the way of all living. Medical science has lost her most valued son in Pasteur. Although many names are prominent in connection with the recent great advances that

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