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Mr. President and Gentlemen,—I stand before you to-day to deliver the address on medicine, and the only thing I regret is that some one more worthy and competent to perform the task assigned me had not been selected. However, I take it as one of the highest honors that could be conferred on any member of the Association to be asked to deliver this address before the profession of the Dominion in this its chief city, and can only attribute my being thus honored to the great kindness of your president, and to his limited knowledge of my capabilities, and must crave your indulgence for any shortcomings on my part in the performance of this duty. I will endeavor in a very plain manner to give you my views and experience on malaria, instead of going over the whole domain of medicine, which, if I were equal to the task, would only worry and bore you; and further, I feel that it will better serve the object and interests of this Association to give a few practical points for discussion in order to bring out the opinions of the members present to-day, as I consider we have too many papers and too little discussion in this and every other medical society. Most medical journals are full of papers which only represent the author's ideas, while a short practical paper, which I trust you will find this to be, elicits criticism and the flaws are pointed out

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