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Members of the Lunenburg-Queens Medical Society and of the Profession :

GENTLEMEN,—When you elected me president of this society at the last regular meeting the first thought that occurred to me was that it would be necessary for me to deliver an address at our next place of meeting. Much, gentlemen, as I esteemed the honor you conferred on me by electing me president, I could not help but think how very unfortunate it was, for “the time honored custom of presidents to deliver an address,” that such a duty should fall upon me, and I can assure you that it is with a great deal of hesitation that I attempt the same, following in the wake of our ex-president, Dr. March, whose presidential address at our last meeting in Lunenburg would have done honor to any president, of any society, on any occasion whatever.

Those who were present on the occasion when this society met in Lunenburg will remember it, and those who were not present certainly missed an up-to-date, practical paper, but thanks to our efficient secretary and the Maritime Medical News, they had an opportunity of reading the address in that journal, and many were the favorable comments I heard from members of the profession outside of our local society upon the same.

In glancing at our programme you will notice this meeting, designated as a special meeting, of the Lunenburg-Queens Medical

*Delivered before meeting of Lunenburg-Queens Medical Society, Chester, Aug. 5th, 1903.