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I thank you first of all for the honor of the office which I have been called upon to fill. The thought of such a thing never came to me in dreams by day or visions of the night, and, if it had taken shape, it would have flitted from the mind as one scanned through the vista of years the long roll of men of high repute who had sat in this chair. One could not but feel that the success of the Montreal meeting was warrant for this venture. I must avow at the outset that any credit for such success as may attend the second visit of the British Medical Association to Canada—and the prospects are bright—must rest largely upon those who have freely given most valuable help in various ways. One need hardly add that it has been indeed a labor of love to bring from their posts of duty and busy round in the old homeland the select and elect of our profession. We greet and welcome you, not only for your own sakes as men whose names are already household words, or doubtless soon will be, but as worthy sons of worthy sires. For if Bacon, Shakespeare, Newton, Faraday, Kelvin, Clerk, Maxwell, J. J. Thomson, and other lights of literature, science, and philosophy in the British firmament were blotted out, there would only be

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