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To the RIGHT HONOURABLE

SIR GEORGE CORNEWALL LEWIS, BART.,

Her Majesty's Principal Secretary for the Home Department.

SIR,

In offering myself as a candidate for the chair of surgery vacant in the university of Glasgow, I must trouble you with a short account of my past career, as thus only can I bring before you the claims I wish you kindly to consider.

I am thirty-two years of age, a doctor in medicine of Glasgow University, a fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh, and a fellow of the Faculty of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow. Before studying medicine, I passed through the entire curriculum in arts and philosophy in the University of Glasgow, and afterwards spent more than the usual period in its medical department before taking my degree, having also had the great advantage of serving as house-surgeon in the Royal Infirmary of this city. I afterwards spent upwards of two years in attendance on the practice of the leading surgeons in Germany, Italy, and France; and one entire year of that time I passed in Paris, where I was a pupil in operative surgery with Guerin and

Beraud ; and I possess testimonials as a student from Velpeau, Maisonneuve, Roux, Ricord, Jobert, Nelaton, and Cruveilhier.

On the breaking out of the Russian war in 1854, I went at my own expense to the East, solely in order to see surgical practice on a large scale ; and I lent my professional aid at Scutari and in the French hospitals after the great battles of the autumn and early winter of 1854. Immediately on my return to this country in the spring of 1855, I accepted the post of senior surgeon to the hospital about to be established at Smyrna, and proceeded there with Sir Henry Storks considerably before my colleagues, in order to report to Government on Smyrna as an invalid station, and to arrange the building set apart for hospital purposes. Before starting I had the honour of submitting to Mr. Sidney Herbert a plan for wooden hospitals at the seat of war, which plan was very much that afterwards so successfully developed by the late Mr. Brunel on the Dardanelles.

For my reports and arrangements at Smyrna I twice received Lord Panmure's thanks, and was appointed by him interim superintendent of the hospital. On the arrival of the medical superintendent I took charge of one of the surgical divisions of the hospital, and continued to do duty at Smyrna, till from the improved condition of matters in camp the patients were chiefly treated there. I then volunteered for service in the field ; and on my arrival in the Crimea in the beginning of June, 1855, I was immediately attached as one of the three senior surgeons to the great General Hospital established in the lines of the third division for the severely wounded of the whole army. This was the only general

hospital which ever existed in the front. I there held one of the most important surgical appointments in the army up to the final evacuation of the Crimea in 1856, having had sole charge of a very large number of wounded, and performed very many operations after the assaults and sorties during what was, surgically speaking, the busiest period of the whole siege. I may specify in particular the taking of the rifle pits and the assault on the Redan in June, the capture of the city in September, and the explosion of the "right siege train" in November, as having occurred during the period referred to.

Since my return to Glasgow I have given my undivided attention to surgery, and am the only practitioner in Glasgow who does not engage in general practice. I have lectured for two winter sessions on Military Surgery, and for two summer sessions on leading points in General Surgery. Through the kindness of professional friends, I have seen a good deal of surgical practice and operation during the same period. I am surgeon to the Lock Hospital, and to the Western Public Dispensary of this city.

At the unsolicited recommendation of the late Professor, and by the appointment of the Senate, I am now engaged in teaching the Surgical Class in the University, a duty which was devolved on me at a few weeks' notice, without any assistance whatever.

I may also add that I am the possessor of a very extensive and valuable collection of surgical preparations, comprehending the whole museum of the two last Professors of Surgery in the University, and that of Dr. William Lyon of this city, which

I acquired some time ago. I am thus in a most advantageous position for teaching a science which requires such illustrations. I am the author of various surgical papers in the different journals, and of a work on the Surgery of the late War, some opinions on which I beg to append. If appointed to this chair, I intend to devote myself wholly to its duties.

I must apologise for troubling you, Sir, with this long statement; but it was necessary I should bring before you the means I have had of qualifying myself by study, observation, and opportunity for the important post to which I aspire; and to this I take the liberty of adding testimonials from men of high standing in my profession in confirmation and support of my claims; to which I beg to draw your attention.

I am, SIR,

Your very obedient servant,

GEO. H. B. MACLEOD.

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TESTIMONIALS

IN FAVOUR OF

DR. GEORGE H. B. MACLEOD.

From DR. LAWRIE, late Professor of Surgery, in Glasgow University.

MY DEAR SIR,—I feel quite easy and satisfied in my mind now that you have kindly undertaken to be my substitute in my class during the ensuing winter. I felt rather in a difficulty till I was assured that you would agree to my request on the subject, and I feel it due both to you and to myself to say, that while I have a strong feeling of personal friendship for you, I was not influenced at all by it in selecting you as my substitute. I did so, solely because I considered that you were decidedly the fittest person for the duty which I wished to lay upon you ; both because your surgical experience was much more extensive than any man I know of your standing in the profession, and from your mind having been almost exclusively directed to surgical study and practice. I have not the slightest doubt but that you will fill the chair, whether temporarily or permanently, with credit to yourself and with great profit to the students ; and I most heartily wish you success, believing that I have put the right man in the right place. Believe me to be,

Yours very sincerely,

J. A. LAWRIE.

To DR. MACLEOD.

From Sir ANDREW SMITH, M.D., F.R.C.S., K.C.B., late Director-General Army Medical Department.

DEAR SIR,—I am glad to hear you are a candidate for the Chair of Surgery about to become vacant in the University, and most earnestly hope you will have the success you deserve. I shall never forget the good service you rendered in the Crimea ; and I assure you it was very pleasing to me to hear how it was spoken of by Sir John Hall, the senior medical officer, as well as by other senior officers who had the opportunity of observing your proceedings. Your experience at that time will, I hope, be considered as specially fitting you for the chair ; and I think those who peruse the work you published after your return to this country, will see in it ample proofs that you are well qualified for the duty you wish to discharge in Glasgow.

I am, dear sir,

Yours very truly,

ANDREW SMITH.

From Sir JOHN HALL, K.C.B., M.D., F.R.C.S., Inspector-General of Hospitals, and formerly Medical Chief of the army in the Crimea.

I CERTIFY that DR. GEO. H. B. MACLEOD was employed under my orders in the General Hospital in camp before Sebastopol, from the beginning of June, 1855, to the end of June, 1856, and during that period, embracing the most active part of the siege, he had an opportunity of witnessing surgery on an extended scale. The hospital, from its situation, being nearest to the scene of action, all the more important and worst cases were brought to it, and Dr. Macleod was called on not only to operate, but to treat injuries of the gravest nature, in both of which capacities he evinced the coolness and the dexterity of the accomplished operator, and the talents and zeal of the scientific surgeon. It is with peculiar pleasure I bear this testimony to the worth of one for whom I have the highest respect, and for whose future welfare I am extremely anxious.

JOHN HALL.

From JAMES MONCRIEFF ARNOTT, Esq., F.R.C.S.E., F.R.S., *Surgeon-in-ordinary to H.R.H. the Prince Consort; formerly Surgeon to the Middlesex and North London Hospitals, and Professor of Surgery, King's College and University College, London, and President of the Royal College of Surgeons of England.*

HAVING been out of England for a month, I have only now heard that a vacancy has occurred in the Professorship of Surgery in the University of Glasgow. I am persuaded that it is of great importance to the character and interest of the profession itself, as well as to those of the University, that the vacant office should be efficiently filled; that the occupant of it should be distinguished by an extensive and intimate acquaintance with surgery as it now exists in this and the other countries; that he should have shown by previous studies, preparation, and pursuits that he had formed an adequate conception of the duties of the appointment he sought to obtain; and that he was also capable of advancing the science and the art of surgery.

That DR. GEORGE H. B. MACLEOD possesses the requisite knowledge, capacity, and earnestness of purpose indicated in these requirements, is, from personal knowledge, my firm conviction, and therefore I strongly recommend him for the Chair of Surgery in the University of Glasgow.

JAMES MONCRIEFF ARNOTT.

From WILLIAM FERGUSON, Esq., F.R.S., *Surgeon and Professor of Surgery, King's College Hospital; Surgeon Extraordinary to H.M. the Queen; Surgeon-in-ordinary to H.R.H. the Prince Consort.**

MY DEAR SIR,—I have for some years watched your professional career with great interest. I admired your zeal and devotion in the early period of the recent war; I felt, as many others did, how much we were all indebted to you and such as you, for services to our countrymen abroad, at times and under circumstances of great difficulty. I need scarcely add, that within the last twelve months, I have looked

* This testimonial was given when Dr. Macleod was about to apply for an expected opening in the hospital.

with no ordinary interest on what I may term your early professional struggles in civil life ; and although, as I understand, you cannot get all to think as you do, how professional matters should be arranged in Glasgow, as regards hospital appointments and clinical teaching, I cannot but think that you must have impressed even those who do not entirely agree with you, with your hearty zeal in behalf of the reputation of the Glasgow School of Medicine.

You ask me for a testimonial when and where I think none from strangers should be required. You must be as well known in Glasgow as any man of your age. *I know of no man in Britain at your age with higher qualifications for professional life.* Your breast is bedizened with honours which, perhaps, no other civil surgeon in this country can match ; and it seems to me strange, that any such humble opinion as mine should be thought needful to lead your townsmen to think as I do, *that you are eminently qualified for all the duties of a first-class surgeon.*

In the sincere belief that much good may come to Glasgow and the West of Scotland if you are elected in early life to a prominent hospital appointment, I wish you every success in your present efforts.

Believe me,

My dear Sir,

Yours very faithfully,

WM. FERGUSON.

To DR. MACLEOD.

MY DEAR SIR,—Some time ago I sent a written expression of my opinion regarding you as a professional man, and if it can now be of any service to you, you are welcome to use it. I have had no reason to change the views which I then held, and if you are selected to fill the Chair of Surgery in Glasgow College, I feel assured that you will perform the duties in a highly efficient manner.

Very sincerely yours,

WILLIAM FERGUSON.

To DR. MACLEOD.

From JAMES MILLER, Esq., F.R.S., Professor of Surgery in the University of Edinburgh; Surgeon-in-ordinary to the Queen and Prince Albert for Scotland; and late Senior Surgeon to the Royal Infirmary of Edinburgh.

MY DEAR SIR,—I know you by repute to be an active and accomplished surgeon of varied experience. Your talents and acquirements, and opportunities for observation, coupled with the fact of your having already taught surgery successfully, give you a strong and well-founded claim to the Chair of Surgery in Glasgow.

I am,

My dear Sir,

Very truly yours,

JAS. MILLER.

TO DR. GEORGE H. B. MACLEOD.

From WILLIAM BOWMAN, Esq., F.R.S., F.R.C.S., late Professor of Physiology and General and Morbid Anatomy, King's College; Surgeon King's College Hospital and Royal London Ophthalmic Hospital.

I HAVE had the pleasure of knowing DR. MACLEOD since he volunteered as a civil surgeon to join the hospitals in the East during the Russian war, and I entertain the highest opinion of his capacity and knowledge. No one has studied surgery in all its branches with more zeal and devotion, and his work on the Surgery of the War shows that he has mastered his profession and is well able to teach its principles. From what I know of him personally, I think him likely to become a highly popular Professor of Surgery, should he be elevated to that important position.

WILLIAM BOWMAN.

From J. E. ERICHSEN, Esq., F.R.C.S. Eng., Professor of Surgery, and Surgeon to University College Hospital.

DR. MACLEOD is well known to me by his published works to be a most able and experienced surgeon, eminently qualified for the Professorship of Surgery in the University of Glasgow.

J. E. ERICHSEN.

From JAMES PAGET, Esq., F.R.C.S. Eng., F.R.S., *Surgeon Extraordinary to the Queen; Surgeon to St. Bartholomew's Hospital.*

DR. G. H. B. MACLEOD'S "Notes on the Surgery of the Crimean War" is one of the very best surgical works of the present day. It could not have been written except by one who was not only thoroughly instructed in the knowledge of his contemporaries, but himself an excellent observer and thinker, and full of zeal in the pursuit of his profession; and the style of his writings, as well as all I know personally of Dr. Macleod, makes me believe him able to teach others as well as himself, and to communicate to others the earnestness with which he works.

JAMES PAGET.

From DR. EDWARD BROWN-SEQUARD, *Paris.*

MY DEAR SIR,—I am extremely happy to have an opportunity of saying what I think of your efficiency to fulfil the duties of Professor of Surgery.

Your solid and deep learning in surgery, as shown in your very excellent work on the "Surgery of the Crimean War," and still more proved to me in many of our conversations on various surgical questions; your talent for observation, and your great clearness in the exposition of facts, and in the discussion of theories; and also your conciseness, without the neglect of any of the important features of the subject you discuss—are evident proofs of your perfect fitness to fill the Chair of Surgery in the University of Glasgow.

I may add that you are held here in great esteem by the most competent surgeons, and that you would certainly have been elected a corresponding member of the Society of Surgery, instead of obtaining only an insufficient though respectable number of votes, had it not been the custom of this society to elect candidates only after they had been presented as such more than once.

With the hope that you will succeed in obtaining the Chair, for which I sincerely think you are perfectly fitted,

I remain, dear Sir,

Yours very truly,

ED. BROWN-SEQUARD.

TO DR. MACLEOD.

From J. R. TAYLOR, Esq., C.B., Inspector-General H.M. Hospitals, and Chief Surgeon to Fort Pitt.

MY DEAR SIR,—The extended opportunity which I had of observing your surgical practice in the wards of the General Hospital in camp before Sebastopol during the, surgically speaking, busiest period of the siege, and the very interesting and instructive Notes on the Surgery of that war since published by you, fully justify me in testifying, as I most cordially do, to your superior qualifications for the Professorship of Surgery you are desirous to obtain.

Believe me,

Yours very faithfully,

J. R. TAYLOR.

From BARON LARREY, Surgeon to the Emperor of the French; Inspector-General of Hospitals; Surgeon-in-chief to the Val de Grace; and Member of the Council of Public Health.

MONSIEUR ET HONORÉ CONFRÈRE,—Une nouvelle occasion m'est offerte de vous redire combien j'ai été satisfait de recevoir votre important ouvrage sur la chirurgie de la guerre de Crimée. Vous l'avez intitulé modestement *Notes*, mais il mérite pour une nouvelle édition un titre qui fasse autorité.

Ce sera pour vous, je l'espère la plus digne recommandation pour votre candidature à la chaire de chirurgie vacante à l'université de Glasgow, et vous méritez bien de l'obtenir.

Agréez, Monsieur et honoré Confrère, avec l'expression de mes vœux, l'espérance de mes sentimens de considération distingué.

BARON LARREY.

A MONSIEUR LE DR. GEORGE MACLEOD.

From T. SPENCER WELLS, Esq. F.R.C.S. (Eng.), *Lecturer on Surgery and Operative Surgery, Grosvenor Place School; Surgeon to the Samaritan Hospital.*

I HAVE known DR. G. H. B. MACLEOD for several years; I have served with him as a colleague in the British Hospital at Smyrna during the Russian war; I am well acquainted with his surgical writings, and have witnessed his performance of many important surgical operations. We visited together the hospitals of Paris, and have since been in frequent professional correspondence. I have, therefore, had a very full opportunity of forming an opinion of Dr. Macleod as a surgeon, and as to his capability of imparting to others the knowledge he has acquired; and I feel fully qualified to state that either at the bedside, or in the operating theatre, or in the lecture-room, he is thoroughly competent to maintain the high reputation of the Glasgow School of Surgery, to test and make known every improvement gained by the advancing science of our age, and to increase our stores of knowledge by his own surgical investigations.

T. SPENCER WELLS.

From HENRY J. L. ROOKE, Esq., M.D., F.R.C.S., *Formerly Surgeon to the Dreadnought Hospital.*

MY DEAR MACLEOD,

IT affords me very great pleasure to testify to the large amount of experience in surgery which you obtained during the many months we were associated together as civil staff surgeons at the General Hospital before Sebastopol. The hospital being especially established for the reception of wounded soldiers, the patients who were received into it were, with very few exceptions, surgical cases. The injuries were all of a severe or dangerous character, for the hospital was especially provided to receive the wounded from the different regiments when their respective regimental hospitals were filled. It necessarily followed that a large amount of the most dangerous cases fell to our share, as the soldiers who were slightly wounded would be the first to apply for relief to their own regimental hospitals. Thus the most serious cases were

brought to the General Hospital in the third division, to which we were attached. The cases allotted by the principal medical officer to each surgeon were entirely under his control. I had, therefore, daily opportunity of seeing your surgical knowledge put to the test in the treatment of wounds of every region of the body. I had the pleasure of assisting you in the performance of almost every capital operation, and also the advantage of your assistance in my own operations. To your sound judgment as a surgeon, to your skill as an operator, and to your coolness when unexpected difficulties arose, I can bear ample testimony; whilst the successful results which followed your practice are the strongest proofs of your professional ability. I can honestly say that you missed no opportunity of perfecting the knowledge you already possessed, and of daily adding to your store; and that you manifested such enthusiasm and love for your profession, as gave us all hopes we would one day see you take your place in its foremost ranks. It will give me the greatest pleasure to hear that you have been successful in obtaining the Professorship of Surgery in the University of Glasgow, for which chair, I am quite sure, no one can be better qualified.

Believe me,

Yours very sincerely,

HENRY J. L. ROOKE.

From ROBERT LYONS, Esq., K.C.C., M.B., L.R.C.S.I., M.R.I.A., *Professor of Practice of Medicine and Pathology in the Catholic University of Ireland; Physician to Germain Street Hospital; late Pathologist-in-chief to the Army in the Crimea.*

DR. GEORGE H. B. MACLEOD served with distinction in the Army of the East during the late Russian war, and enjoyed most ample opportunities for forming an extensive surgical experience, which he used with great zeal and profit. From personal knowledge I can speak of him as a most earnest cultivator of surgical science, while as an operator he possesses an amount of skill, dexterity, and finish not often met with. His writings on various subjects in surgery, and his work on the Surgery of the late War, speak for themselves, and show that he is well qualified to

be a good writer and successful teacher. He combines very many of the natural gifts requisite for being a surgeon of high distinction, and in a professional chair or an hospital his energies and abilities will, I feel certain, command for him early success in his career.

ROBERT D. LYONS.

From CARSTEN HOLTHOUSE, Esq., F.R.C.S. Eng. ; *Surgeon and Lecturer on Surgical Anatomy, Westminster Hospital ; Surgeon to the South London Ophthalmic Hospital.*

MY DEAR MACLEOD,—Had you not asked me for a testimonial, I should have deemed it very unbecoming to have offered to give you one ; but as you have done so I will merely say that I entertain so high an opinion of your character and abilities, that I think the University of Glasgow will be fortunate if it obtains such a successor to Dr. Lawrie in the Chair of Surgery as yourself. Having said thus much, you must excuse me if I embrace this opportunity of protesting against the system of requiring testimonials from men of your stamp and position in the profession. That such documents are useful, and even necessary to young and unknown men who are just commencing their professional career, I think there can be no doubt : but there is a period in the life of a professional man when testimonials can add nothing to his reputation, and you have passed that period, for you have already achieved a reputation which ought to be your best testimonial.

Believe me,

Yours truly,

C. HOLTHOUSE.

From JOHN CAWOOD WORDSWORTH, Esq., F.R.C.S., *Surgeon to the London Hospital and Royal London Ophthalmic Hospital.*

I HAVE much pleasure in recording the very high opinion I entertain of DR. MACLEOD, and of stating that I consider him a most accomplished and talented surgeon. I may state that I have not formed this opinion hastily, for I was brought into very close official relation with

him during the period that we were employed by the Crown in the late war. But I may add that no one need have a long acquaintance with him to be assured that he possesses qualifications which must raise him into the highest grades of his profession. In fine, I am fully persuaded that he is destined for a distinguished career, and that he will be alike eminent as Professor and Surgeon.

JOHN CAWOOD WORDSWORTH.

From DR. PAUL BROCA, Assistant Professor and Surgeon to the Hospitals of Paris; General Secretary to the "Société de Chirurgie de Paris."

MONSIEUR ET TRÈS HONORÉ CONFRÈRE,—J'apprends que vous êtes candidat pour une chaire de chirurgie à l'université de Glasgow. Connaissant l'ouvrage important que vous avez publié sur la chirurgie de la guerre de Crimée, je fais des vœux pour que vous obtenir cette chaire donc je vous considère comme très digne.

La Société de Chirurgie m'a chargé, dans le temps en qualité de secrétaire général, de vous remercier de l'envoi de votre ouvrage. Votre candidature au titre de membre correspondant se trouve ainsi posée sur une base solide, et j'ai lieu d'espérer que votre nom sortira de l'urne à nos prochaines élections.

Agreez, monsieur et très honoré confrère, l'expression de mes sentiments les plus distingués.

P. BROCA.

A MONSIEUR LE DR. G. H. B. MACLEOD.

From C. F. MAUNDER, F.R.C.S., Demonstrator of Operative Surgery in Paris; late Demonstrator of Anatomy in Guy's Hospital, and in Paris; Surgeon to the Great Northern Hospital.

THE high estimation in which DR. GEORGE MACLEOD is held by his brother professional men in London, and my own personal experience of his talents as a surgeon, render him, in my opinion, peculiarly adapted to fill the Chair of Surgery in the School of medicine in Glasgow.

C. F. MAUNDER.

From HOLMES COOTE, Esq., F.R.C.S. Eng., *Assistant Surgeon St. Bartholomew's Hospital and Royal Orthopedic Hospital ; late Surgeon on the Staff in the East.*

I HAVE great pleasure in offering my testimony to the high talents, indefatigable industry, and personal courage and resolution of my friend and late colleague DR. GEORGE H. B. MACLEOD. He was associated with me as one of the senior surgeons to the British Hospital at Smyrna during the war in the Crimea, and I there had ample opportunities of learning to appreciate his professional attainments. He left that station to offer his services in the General Hospital before Sebastopol, and served there with benefit to the sick, and with the greatest credit to himself. Of Mr. Macleod's further services during the war I must leave others to speak ; but I am confident that his literary attainments, great practical experience, and his scientific turn of mind, will render him a valuable teacher of surgery to any university.

HOLMES COOTE.

From DR. JOHN BENT, *Surgeon-Major, Royal Artillery.*

MY DEAR MACLEOD,—Your welcome letter announcing your candidature for the Chair of Surgery, was forwarded to me here from Plymouth, and I lose no time in sending you my sincere wishes for your success. Among the many testimonials which you are sure to hold from the chiefs, it might not be disagreeable to you to possess one from the rank and file of the profession, and I gladly contribute a line to show at least how you were esteemed by your fellow-labourers in the Crimea ; speaking, of course, in the first place for myself, but secondly, also, the sentiments of I believe every medical officer of my acquaintance who knew you.

During that period of the war when you were surgeon to the General Hospital before Sebastopol, and I was a first-class staff surgeon, in charge of a brigade of the fourth division, I had many opportunities of judging of the reputation you bore for professional skill and ability ; and I can safely say, that among many who had distinguished themselves as first rate surgeons, none stood higher than yourself, or showed at the

same time more laborious devotion to our common science. Your opportunities, too, from various circumstances, were unusually large ; and it is but bare justice to you to say, that you availed yourself of them to the utmost to turn the resources of your long and careful professional training to account. Personally I knew no one in the field whose opinion in difficult surgery I should have been more anxious to obtain, and I do not remember any man of experience who did not attach the same value to it that I did ; if to this I might venture to add the many qualities that distinguished you, as a scholar and a gentleman, I cannot imagine any honours in the profession to which you might not fairly aspire, or in which you have much reason to fear competition.

With very deliberate conviction of your high qualifications for the Professorship (I trust) before you,

I remain,

Faithfully yours,

JOHN BENT.

*From A. P. STEWART, Esq., M.D., F.R.C.P. Lond., Senior Physician to,
and Lecturer on Medicine at, the Middlesex Hospital.*

THE high opinion I had formed five years ago, on the report of others, of DR. GEORGE MACLEOD'S abilities as a surgeon has been since amply confirmed on personal acquaintance, and by the publication of his very interesting and instructive "Notes on the Surgery of the War in the Crimea," a work which has already secured him a distinguished position among British surgeons. I need scarcely remark that his practical knowledge of military surgery on a large scale constitutes in itself a preferential claim, which cannot be overlooked in estimating the comparative merits of candidates for a professorship of surgery.

Let me further express my conviction that those who, like Dr. Macleod, have the courage to practise pure surgery, in opposition to what I must call the hurtful prejudices which have too long prevailed in Scotland, deserve the hearty thanks of their professional brethren, and will soon be recognized as the truest friends of scientific medicine.

A. P. STEWART, M.D.

From GEORGE BLENKINS, Esq., F.R.C.S. Eng., *Surgeon-Major Grenadier Guards; Lecturer on Anatomy and Physiology, St. Mary's Hospital, and on Military Surgery, Grosvenor Place Medical School.*

I HAD the pleasure of knowing DR. GEO. H. B. MACLEOD in the Crimea, and have carefully perused his work on the Surgery of the Crimean War. From the great experience he obtained there, as shown by the numerous valuable facts he has collected, and the careful and valuable deductions and observations he has made upon them, he shows that he is eminently qualified for the Chair of Surgery in the University of Glasgow. I can hardly imagine that any one can be found so admirably fitted for such an appointment.

GEORGE BLENKINS.

From DR. A. VERNEUIL, *Assistant Professor to the Faculty of Medicine, and Surgeon to the Hospitals of Paris.*

CHER ET HONORÉ CONFRÈRE,—J'apprends que vous sollicitez une chaire de professeur de chirurgie à l'université de Glasgow. Connaisant le remarquable livre que vous avez publié sur la chirurgie d'armée et tout le gîte et toute l'instruction dont vous faites preuve dans vos travaux je serais heureux de vous voir parvenir à l'objet de vos désirs.

Le Professorat de l'Université de Glasgow compterait à coup sûr en vous un ami de la science capable de la faire progresser.

C'est dans ces dispositions cher et honoré confrère que je vous prie d'accepter mes cordiales salutations.

A. VERNEUIL.

From F. W. PAVY, Esq., M.D., London, *Lecturer on Physiology at Guy's Hospital, London.*

IT is a source of much gratification to me to have the opportunity of expressing the high opinion I entertain of the ability and attainments of DR. G. H. B. MACLEOD. Since I first knew him, I have always considered him destined to hold a prominent position in his profession, and I am glad to learn of his now coming forward as a candidate for the Professorship of Surgery in the University of Glasgow, strongly believing, as I do, that he is most eminently qualified for the post.

F. W. PAVY.

From JAMES D. GILLESPIE, M.D., F.R.C.S.E., *Surgeon to the Royal Infirmary Edinburgh; Medical Officer New Town Dispensary; Surgeon to Gillespie's and Donaldson's Hospitals, &c.*

DR. GEORGE MACLEOD has been known to me for many years, and I have much pleasure in adding my testimony to his fitness for the Chair of Surgery in Glasgow, for which he is now bringing forward testimonials. Dr. Macleod has devoted his special attention to surgery, and has taken more than usual pains to make himself thoroughly conversant with the practice of surgery at home and abroad. When I add, that to talents of a high order he has brought unremitting zeal and enthusiasm for the special branch of his profession to which he has directed his pursuits; and when I further state that his excellent preliminary education and facility of imparting his extensively acquired information to others render him peculiarly well adapted for a public lecturer on surgery—I say all that is necessary to indicate my conscientious belief, that he is admirably qualified to fill the important position of Professor of Surgery in Glasgow.

JAMES D. GILLESPIE.

From ARCHIBALD GORDON, Esq., M.D., C.B., *Inspector-General of Hospitals.*

MY DEAR SIR,—It affords me great pleasure in bearing testimony to your merits as a surgeon. During the time you were in the Crimea, you had ample opportunities of becoming thoroughly conversant with gunshot wounds, and all injuries to which soldiers and others are exposed in active service. I had frequent opportunities of judging of your qualifications while we acted together during many months, and on many occasions availed myself of your intimate knowledge of surgery and experience.

Should you be fortunate enough in obtaining the chair to which you aspire, I am convinced you will prove an ornament to the school, as well as a most zealous and efficient teacher of surgery.

Wishing you success,

Believe me,

Yours very truly,

ARCHD. GORDON.

Dr. E. FOLLIN, Chirurgien des Hopitaux de Paris ; Professeur Agrigé en Chirurgie à la Faculté de Médecine ; Membre de la Société de Chirurgie.

MON TRÈS HONORÉ CONFRÈRE,—Vous sollicitez, me dit on, à l'université de Glasgow une place de Professeur de Chirurgie et, à cette occasion, je suis heureux de pouvoir m'associer à ceux qui pensent que vous remplirez cette chaire avec honneur et distinction. Les travaux que vous avez déjà publiés témoignent des meilleures connaissances de la pathologie chirurgicale, et votre récent ouvrage sur la chirurgie militaire est une œuvre destinée à servir utilement la science et la profession.

Dans cette pensée je fais du vœux pour le succès de votre candidature et vous présente l'assurance de mes meilleures sentiments.

E. FOLLIN.

From CHARLES COOTE, Esq., M.D. Oxon., F.R.C.P.L., Assistant Physician to and Lecturer on Forensic Medicine at the Middlesex Hospital ; late Fellow of Pembroke College, Oxford ; Radcliffe Travelling Fellow ; Public Examiner in Natural Sciences ; and Physician to the Great Northern Hospital.

No testimony of mine can add to the brilliant reputation which DR. MACLEOD has already attained as a scientific and practical Surgeon. His published works, known so well both at home and abroad, render it superfluous to dwell upon his talents, his industry, or the singular success with which he cultivated the great opportunities of surgical study which presented themselves during the Crimean campaign.

But there are other qualifications for the high office which he now seeks to attain, not less indispensable than talent, industry, or learning. The successful teacher must possess energy of will, a firm sense of duty, zeal for truth, and love for his science. And those who know Mr. Macleod will concur with me that there are few men in whom these characters are more strongly marked than in him.

I venture, in conclusion, to express my sincere conviction that any University would be most fortunate in securing so able a Professor for its Surgical Chair.

CHARLES T. COOTE.

From DR. LEGUEST, Surgeon-Major of the First Class ; Professor of Clinical Surgery at the Hospital of the Val-de-Grace ; Member of the Société de Chirurgie, &c.

MONSIEUR ET TRÈS HONORÉ CONFRÈRE,

Je viens d'apprendre votre candidature à une Chaire de l'Université de Glasgow.

Veillez croire que j'accompagne de tous, mes vœux l'entreprise que vous poursuivez, et dont le succès ne serait qu'une justice rendue à vos travaux. Vous ne pouvez douter des sympathies d'un ancien compagnon d'armes en Crimée qui mieux que personne apprécie le mérite et la vérité de l'ouvrage que vous avez publié sur la chirurgie de cette campagne.

Agreez, monsieur et très honoré confrère, l'hommage de mes sentiments les plus distingués.

DR. LEGUEST.

From JAMES MOUAT, Esq., F.R.C.S., C.B., Deputy Inspector-General of Her Majesty's Hospitals.

DR. GEO. H. B. MACLEOD having applied to me for a testimonial of his fitness for the post of Professor of Surgery in the University of Glasgow, I have much pleasure in stating that Dr. Macleod was employed in the General Hospital in the camp before Sebastopol for twelve months under my immediate observation, and during that period of the siege he had ample opportunities of witnessing the surgery of the war on a large scale. Dr. Macleod performed capital operations, and proved himself a most useful and efficient surgeon. His conduct as a professional gentleman was all that could be desired ; and I entertain a very high opinion of his abilities as a practical surgeon, and his dexterity as an operator.

JAMES MOUAT.

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From DR. ARTHUR LEARED, B.A., M.B., L.R.C.P., Physician to the Great Northern Hospital; Lecturer on Mat. Medica, Grosvenor Place School of Medicine.

I HAD the pleasure of DR. MACLEOD's intimate acquaintance while we acted as colleagues in the late British Hospital at Smyrna during the Russian war. So far as, under these circumstances, it is excusable, I am most anxious to give testimony in his favour. I know no man who combines greater ability, more practical knowledge of his profession, and fluency in expressing his ideas, with uncommon energy of character. As I feel sure that these opinions will be shared by most persons with whom he may come into contact, I may venture to add that a fitter occupant of the Chair of Surgery, which is the present object of Mr. Macleod's ambition, is not likely to be found.

ARTHUR LEARED.

From DR. PATRICK FRASER, L.R.C.P., Physician to the London Hospital; Physician Extraordinary to Her Majesty the Queen of Portugal; Physician to the London Dispensary.

WHILE performing the agreeable duty of giving a testimonial in favour of DR. MACLEOD, I deem it quite unnecessary to press into notice his early and efficient general and professional education, because his history must be fully known to all. I desire especially to draw the urgent attention of those in authority to facts which passed under my own observation in the General Camp Hospital before Sebastopol; premising that previous to this period Dr. Macleod had been with the army in Bulgaria, and also accompanied, at a subsequent period, the naval expedition which attacked and captured Kinburn. In the Crimea Dr. Macleod had the direct care of a large number of wounded men, and performed upon them all the necessary surgical operations; he besides gave his aid and advice in the treatment of other patients; he had also the opportunity of visiting the other large hospitals in the camp.

I avow that Dr. Macleod made every use of the experience, daily and even hourly obtainable in so large and important a field.

That this was so, is indirectly evidenced in the pages of Dr. Macleod's recent work on the "Surgery of the Crimean War." Taking into con-

sideration the foregoing stated facts, and knowing that Dr. Macleod has already lectured on surgery, and that he has been a dispensary and hospital surgeon, I come to the conclusion that Dr. Macleod is most especially qualified to occupy, with great advantage to the pupils and others, the important Chair of Surgery vacant in Glasgow.

PATRICK FRASER.

From DR. MATTHEW COMBE, *Surgeon-Major, R.A.*

I HAD the good fortune to meet with DR. MACLEOD in 1855-56, when he was living in the midst of practical surgery, and eagerly availing himself of the golden opportunities that lay around him.

It is not without much diffidence that I venture to express an opinion on such a subject; but as I have been asked to do so, all I shall presume to say is this—that if a mind made ready by previous rich cultivation, and ardently pursuing its purpose with a zeal fitly proportioned to its gift of reception, seems likely to fulfil the expectations that naturally associate themselves with the object of his present ambition, then Dr. Macleod must take no humble place among the candidates for the Chair of Surgery in Glasgow.

MATTHEW COMBE.

From PETER PRICE, Esq., *Surgeon to the Great Northern Hospital, London.*

I HAVE known DR. GEORGE MACLEOD for many years as a surgeon who has spared no pains by studying in this and other countries to obtain all the requirements necessary for a teacher and practitioner of surgery. Being intimately acquainted with him at the period he was acquiring a knowledge of the latest practice and teachings of the Parisian and London surgeons, I can with truth affirm that it has seldom been my privilege to converse with one who is more fully conversant with the history and doctrines of ancient or modern surgery; and I conceive it difficult to name any gentleman who would more usefully and brilliantly fill the Chair of Surgery in the Glasgow University.

PETER PRICE.

From JOHN BARCLAY, Esq., M.D., L.R.C.P., Physician Leicester Infirmary and Fever Hospital; Hon. Physician Leicester and Rutland Counties Lunatic Asylums.

DR. G. H. B. MACLEOD was one of my colleagues in the Civil Hospital established at Smyrna during the Russian war. The difficulties of the circumstances in which we were placed, moral and physical, while they showed out in strong relief the characters of men, supplied also peculiar opportunities of observing them. My friend, Dr. Macleod, earned for himself the respect and esteem of every one with whom he came into contact, by his private worth, his kindness, and his goodness; while he showed a capacity for administration, a skill in the treatment of disease, and especially a power of systematic observation in all things connected with his profession, and in that department of it—Surgery—to which he has devoted himself, that I have always felt sure his Smyrna appointment was the first step only in a distinguished career. I should consider any school of medicine very fortunate in securing his services as professor or lecturer on surgery. His published Work is of itself sufficient testimonial of his special qualifications for such an honourable post.

JOHN BARCLAY.

From GEORGE LADE, Esq., M.D., L.F.P. & S.G., L.S.A., King's Lynn.

I HAVE great pleasure in bearing my testimony to the fitness of DR. GEORGE H. B. MACLEOD to fill the Chair of Surgery in the University of Glasgow, vacated by the lamented death of Professor Lawrie. From the first moment I became acquainted with Dr. Macleod, now nearly ten years ago, I thought him the most intelligent and devoted student of medicine I had ever met; and frequent intercourse with him since, and an intimate knowledge of his subsequent career as a surgeon and lecturer on military surgery, fully confirm the high opinion I then formed of him.

Without flattery, I can confidently say he is a most learned, able, and zealous surgeon, and an accomplished lecturer, and I consider him eminently fitted for the appointment he is desirous of obtaining.

GEORGE LADE.

From J. C. STEEL, Esq., M.D., F.P. & S.G., Medical Superintendent Guy's Hospital, London, and formerly Medical Superintendent Glasgow Royal Infirmary.

MY DEAR SIR,—I AM delighted to hear that you are a candidate for the Chair of Surgery in Glasgow College, as apart from all feelings of personal friendship, I know no one whose talents, professional experience, and powers of conveying instruction fit him so well to occupy the chair so worthily filled by Dr. Lawrie. I might dwell on the extraordinary opportunities and facilities you have enjoyed, as well as on the great personal exertions you have made, with the view of advancing your knowledge of this particular department of the healing art; but these are so well known both in and out of the profession, that it is perfectly superfluous to do more than to allude to them as among the many reasons why your claims should not be overlooked by the patrons of the University. If I said more, I fear I should lay myself open to the charge of fulsome eulogy by those unacquainted with you; but feeling as we all do a warm interest in the prosperity of the College, I cannot conclude without expressing my ardent hopes that the patrons may select you for the vacant office, and thereby honour themselves by conferring increased lustre on our Alma Mater. With best wishes,

Believe me,

Yours very truly,

JOHN CHAS. STEEL.

From ALEXANDER SHAW, Esq., F.R.C.S., Member of the Council of the Royal College of Surgeons of England; Surgeon to and Lecturer on Surgery, Middlesex Hospital.

FROM personal acquaintance with DR. MACLEOD, as well as from reading his publications, I have had opportunities of judging of his professional qualifications for filling the important office in the University of Glasgow, for which he is a candidate.

To those who know Dr. Macleod's career during the late Russian war, it is unnecessary to say anything of the zeal which prompted him to perfect himself in the knowledge and practice of one of the highest

branches of surgery. I would only remark that his "Notes," afterwards published, prove unquestionably that he went to the seat of war with his mind admirably prepared, by previous study, for observing with intelligence and profit all that came before him. His observations on gunshot wounds I am in the habit of referring to in my lectures on that subject, and of recommending to the pupils for their study, as being of great interest and value.

In fine, I believe that, by combining much earnestness with natural ability, Dr. Macleod has made himself fully accomplished to occupy with honour and benefit the Chair of Surgery in the University.

ALEX. SHAW.

From ROBERT MARTIN, Esq., M.B. Cantab., L.R.C.P., *Assistant Physician St. Bartholomew's Hospital ; Physician Royal London Ophthalmic Hospital.*

MY DEAR MACLEOD,—In asking me for a testimonial to your fitness for the Chair of Surgery at Glasgow, you have imposed upon me no easy duty—the duty of speaking sufficiently well of a valued friend and former colleague.

If vigour of intellect, earnestness of purpose, and accuracy of observation, all employed with the greatest industry in the wide field of surgical opportunity which it has been your good fortune to appropriate—if all these be any guarantee for the possession of those qualities which should be found in a professor of surgery, then can I congratulate the University of Glasgow in having you as a candidate for the vacant Chair. Wishing you, heartily, success,

Believe me,

Yours very sincerely,

ROBERT MARTIN.

From R. J. O'FLAHERTY, Esq., *Deputy Inspector-General of Hospitals.*

MY DEAR MACLEOD,—I have much pleasure in recalling to memory our acquaintance at Gibraltar and Scutari, before and after the attack upon Sebastopol. when you were travelling at your own cost for the pur-

pose of gaining surgical knowledge and professional experience in the hospitals of the army. In my endeavours to afford you every facility in my power for the attainment of your praiseworthy object, I had the opportunity of observing the knowledge you had of your profession, and the well-directed zeal and industry you exhibited in availing yourself of every opportunity for further cultivating it; and I have much pleasure in here recording my humble opinion from what I then saw of you, and have since heard and read of your exertions for the progress of surgery, that you will, if elected, ably execute the duties of the Chair of Surgery for which you are a candidate; and with best wishes for your success remain

Yours truly,

R. J. O'FLAHERTY.

From E. V. PARKES, Esq., M.D., F.R.C.P. Eng., Professor of Clinical Medicine in University College, London; Superintendent of Renkioi Hospital, in Turkey, during the War.

I HAD the pleasure of becoming acquainted with DR. MACLEOD during his service in the East, and although I had not the opportunity of personally following his surgical career, I yet heard on all sides of his extraordinary assiduity and perseverance in cultivating the great field of surgical pathology open to him in the Crimea, and of his remarkable surgical knowledge and skill.

Dr. Macleod has since recorded some of the surgical knowledge acquired in the late war in his well-known Work, a work which, to my knowledge, is considered by those well qualified to judge, not only as the best book which the surgery of the Crimean war has produced, but as also a most valuable addition to surgical knowledge generally.

No one can be acquainted with Dr. Macleod without recognizing in him not only the possession of great talents, but of an uncommon energy and activity of mind, and it is impossible to doubt that, both from the superiority of his mental powers and from his long and varied practical experience, he is likely to prove a most successful teacher of surgery.

E. V. PARKES.

From ROBERT M'DONALD, M.D., F.R.C.S., *Lecturer on Anatomy and Physiology in the Carmichael Medical School, Dublin.*

MY DEAR MACLEOD,—It is, I assure you, a real pleasure to me to have it in my power to give my testimony as to your merits as a surgeon, and your qualifications for teaching the science and art of surgery. Yet I feel, when I consider your reputation already established through your published works, that it is impossible for me to add to it by anything I can say.

It is true that our long and intimate connection while in the East, both at Smyrna and in the camp before Sebastopol, gave me, more than most men, the opportunity of judging of your capabilities as a surgeon, and now justifies me in stating my conviction that there are few indeed better qualified than yourself ably to perform and conscientiously to fulfil the important duties of the post for which you are a candidate. Let me heartily wish that you may succeed; yet, if you fail, I at least shall have the gratification of knowing that you deserved success.

Ever faithfully yours,

ROBERT M'DONALD.

From SEPTIMUS GIBBON, A.B., M.B., Cantab.; *late scholar of Clare College, Cambridge; Professor of Natural Philosophy St. Bartholomew's Hospital; and Assistant Physician to the London Hospital, &c.*

HAVING been intimately acquainted with DR. GEORGE H. B. MACLEOD for some years, I have had abundant opportunities of forming an opinion of his talents and acquirements, and believe them to be such as well fit him for lecturing on surgery. His intellectual qualities are evidenced by the honours he has obtained, as well as by his published writings. His moral qualities will be certified by all who have witnessed his patient industry, untiring zeal, and devoted attention to whatever is his duty. Possessing, as he does, all the requisites of a lecturer, viz., great command of language in connection with sound knowledge, ability, and industry, I believe that, if elected, Dr. Macleod will prove an eminent and successful Professor of Surgery in the University of Glasgow.

SEPTIMUS GIBBON.

*From JOLIFFE TUFFNEL, Esq., F.R.C.S., Professor of Military Surgery,
Dublin.*

UNDERSTANDING that DR. GEORGE H. B. MACLEOD is a candidate for the Professorship of Surgery in the University of Glasgow, in the room of Dr. Lawrie, I beg most confidently to recommend him to the notice of those in authority as a successor to the late distinguished lecturer. I have known Dr. Macleod both privately and professionally for some years. I am aware of the qualifications which are requisite in the person of a successful teacher—viz., a knowledge of the subject intrusted to his charge, and that gentlemanly and encouraging manner towards students which unites the lecturer to his class, and begets a good feeling to the institution to which both are attached. I believe Dr. Macleod to unite these qualities, and I am confident his election would be a popular one, and advantageous to the interests of the University.

JOLIFFE TUFFNEL.

*From P. H. WATSON, Esq., M.D., F.R.C.S., Lecturer on Surgery Royal
College of Surgeons, Edinburgh; Surgeon Eye Infirmary and New Town
Dispensary.*

I AM glad to be able to speak to DR. G. H. B. MACLEOD's fitness for the Chair of Systematic Surgery in the University of Glasgow. Dr. Macleod has worked hard as an earnest student of surgery, and although a young man, has already attained a large experience in the practice of his profession. In attaining this he has, at the same time, gallantly served his country, and risked both life and health in amassing the valuable "Notes on the Surgery of the Crimean War," a book which has rendered his name well known both at home and abroad by all who take any interest in the progress of surgical science. But it is not the mere fact of his devotion to surgery, or his acquirements in it, that give him a strong claim as an applicant for the vacant chair. His youthful energy; his success as a teacher of the subject; the whole tone of his mind, well balanced and unfettered by prejudice as it is; and the fact that he has been an Alumnus of the University of Glasgow from the commencement, and a successful and respected practitioner of his

profession in that city—all these are circumstances which, when coupled with his general qualifications, make Dr. Macleod, it seems to me, admirably fitted to be a teacher of youth—one who will inspire them with a like enthusiasm for their profession, and add to the lustre of the University by more than maintaining its old fame as a school of medicine.

P. H. WATSON.

From J. F. STREATFEILD, Esq., Assistant Surgeon to the Royal Ophthalmic Hospital, Moorfields.

DEAR MACLEOD,—I am so well convinced of your great practical experience and knowledge of surgery, together with that love of the science which you have in common with all who deserve great honours in our profession, that it is a duty, as it is a pleasure to me, to speak of what I know of your character, believing, as I do, that surgical learning in Glasgow would always progress if you taught that with which you are so well acquainted, and in which your talents are best seen. I need hardly say I hope you will fill the Professor's chair—if so, it would be to the advantage of the University, I am sure, as much as to your own. I believe that one among many proofs of your hardworking energy in any appointment you undertake, was your departure from Smyrna for the Crimea in 1855, when our active duties at the Civil Hospital were ended, and but a few, chiefly medical, cases remained. Then in the Crimea surgical cases abounded, and, although the health of the camp improved, *practical surgery* was more and more actively required. In this way you took advantage of the best way afforded for many years past of such *experience* as cannot be acquired in our own country. Of your *knowledge* in pursuit of the various departments of surgery, no one of your late colleagues can speak with more confidence or more satisfaction than myself; whilst those who know you less intimately appreciate in your "Notes on the Surgery of the War in the Crimea" your knowledge and your wish to make known your experience.—Believe me,

Yours sincerely,

J. F. STREATFEILD.

*From FURNEAUX JORDAN, Esq., Assistant Surgeon to the Queen's Hospital;
Professor of Anatomy at Queen's College, Birmingham.*

I HAVE great pleasure in expressing the high esteem in which I hold DR. G. H. B. MACLEOD—an esteem which first arose from personal knowledge, and which has been more than confirmed by the appearance of a Work from his pen which is in the library of every surgeon, and which has been everywhere well received and favourably reviewed. I can vouch for the truth of the statement, that throughout Great Britain Mr. Macleod is esteemed as one of the foremost surgeons of Scotland. Neither I nor any other person can say more, than that his appointment to the Chair of Surgery in the ancient and honourable University of Glasgow will add lustre to its fame, increased utility to its teaching, and dignity to its professorial staff.

FURNEAUX JORDAN.

*From J. H. LAKIN, Esq., M.D. Lond., M.R.C.S., Surgeon to the Birmingham
General Dispensary; formerly Surgeon to the Dreadnought Hospital.*

I HAVE known DR. G. H. B. MACLEOD since 1855, when I was associated with him as one of the surgeons to the Civil Hospital at Smyrna, and to the General Hospital in the camp before Sebastopol, during the late Crimean war. In these hospitals, and elsewhere, Dr. Macleod filled *very* responsible posts, and in them all, *eminently* distinguished himself as a sound surgeon, as a skilful operator, and as a thorough gentleman. He has also earned a high reputation as an author, by the production of a most able work on the "Surgery of the Crimean War," and by other writings. Dr. Macleod is, in every sense, an accomplished surgeon; he also has a most happy power of communicating his knowledge to others. Finally, there are, in my opinion, extremely few men so admirably qualified to fill a Chair of Surgery.

J. H. LAKIN.

From J. W. HULKE, F.R.C.S., Assistant-Surgeon King's College Hospital, London, and to Royal London Ophthalmic Hospital; late Medical Tutor in King's College, London, and lately attached to the British Civil Hospital, Smyrna; and to the General Hospital before Sebastopol.

MY DEAR MACLEOD,—Your reputation as a surgical author is a better recommendation for the Chair of Surgery, for which you are a candidate, than anything I can say; but, since you have asked me for a testimonial, I may assure you how highly I esteem the friendship of my old Crimean comrade, and, that it gives me real pleasure to record my very high opinion of your surgical talents. Wishing you success with all my heart,

Believe me,

Yours very truly,

J. W. HULKE.

Testimonials from Professional Men in Glasgow will be published afterwards.

THE following short notices of DR. MACLEOD'S "Notes on the Surgery of the Crimean War," are extracted from various Reviews.

From the MEDICAL TIMES AND GAZETTE.

"Dr. Macleod writes like a man of cultivated mind, who has well observed and carefully noted all that came before him in a most momentous period of our history, and has since criticised his own conclusions by a candid consideration of the experience of others. Such are the works to which we can accord with sincere pleasure unqualified approbation."

From the MEDICO-CHIRURGICAL REVIEW.

"Dr. Macleod's work reflects great credit on the author. It shows an independence of thought which requires only experience to lead to important results on many yet doubtful points in surgery. It is written clearly, modestly, and concisely; and his notes are interesting, instructive, and readable to the end. We trust that he will obtain all the credit to which his industry and perseverance entitle him."

From the MEDICAL CIRCULAR.

"This work is written in a clear and easy style. . . . We have much pleasure in recommending it as a valuable contribution—in fact, the only practical one relating to the surgery of the war."

From the BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL.

"We express warm thanks to Dr. Macleod for the valuable contribution he has made to military surgery. . . . He has given much valuable information in a readable and instructive style."

From RANKINE'S ABSTRACT OF THE MEDICAL SCIENCES.

"In this volume there is given an admirably written, and very valuable and instructive, and even full account of the surgery of the war. It forms in some respects a species of running commentary, illustrated with recent cases, on the principles and practice of military surgery; and as such it must prove of no small interest to the student, and to the military and naval surgeon."

From the ATHENÆUM.

"This work is one of the surgical fruits of the war in the Crimea. It gives the experience of a surgeon in the camp and on the battle-field, with all the advantages that the knowledge of surgical science in the nineteenth century could afford. It is, therefore, an interesting contribution to military surgery. But the author has not confined himself to surgery. He gives an account of the physical features of the Crimea, —of the state of the army, its sanitary condition, food, and other points of interest. He has also collected information from other sources than his own experience; and, altogether, Dr. Macleod's book may be regarded as the most valuable contribution yet made to the medical history of the Crimean war."

From the MILITARY SPECTATOR.

"A mass of information hitherto unknown to us, has been brought to light in this volume. In fact, Dr. Macleod's book is equally deserving of praise and valuable as an authority."

From one of two long and most flattering Reviews in the
 EDINBURGH MEDICAL JOURNAL.

"In leaving this part of the subject, it is only just to say that we have read Dr. Macleod's chapter upon Wounds of the Extremities with the very greatest interest. We find in it evidence of great industry; of full information and experience upon the whole matter; of an unprejudiced mind, full of intelligence, brought to bear upon the questions which are at issue. In fact, were we to specify what part of his 'Notes' we thought most worthy of attentive perusal, we should undoubtedly say that it was this, and that upon it he may safely rest his reputation as an accurate observer and a good surgeon."

In several of the leading French, German, and American Journals, there are also most complimentary notices of the above Work.

"This volume, although appearing as the mere personal experience of the author, is in fact a treatise on military surgery, illustrated by the very varied practice which the Crimean campaign afforded, and which therefore assumes no less the position of a standard work on the surgery of the Russian war, than a text-book for the student of military surgery."

"Dr. M'Leod has completed his work with a careful and earnest spirit, and with a literary ability we unfortunately but seldom find in the profession. Indeed, this volume is an evidence that the literature of science is not necessarily the bald and illiterate writing we too often find, but, on the contrary, that a forcible and somewhat piquant style serves better to impress on the memory of the reader the facts narrated, while, at the same time, converting what might have been an arduous duty into a pleasing and

refreshing study. Like the leading men in his profession, Dr. M'Leod gives great importance to the known external circumstances of life, and registers many important truths to testify how vain any treatment becomes when no attention is given to those evident accessories of existence, and which professional pedants so heartily despise."

"He has produced a work which, we hesitate not to believe, will be approved by the medical profession and welcomed by all. Written in an easy yet elegant and effective style; full of interesting historical as well as medical facts; bearing evidence of high professional attainment and a clear judgment—the 'Notes' need not fear criticism, and must become a favourite with the public."

Extract of a letter from PROFESSOR ERICHSEN.

"During a long railway journey yesterday, I perused the greater part of your 'Notes,' and was much struck with its sound practical character and the broadness of the views contained in it. The concluding chapters on Injuries of Bones and Joints especially interested me. To a civilian like myself many of the views were novel, and I have marked many passages for future consideration and for reference in my lectures. I cannot conclude without complimenting you on the very agreeable and easy style in which the work is written."

Extract of a letter from PROFESSOR FERGUSON.

"I have refrained from writing until I had looked into the Work. Having now done so, I have the additional satisfaction of stating that, in my opinion, you have executed your intentions in a highly efficient manner, and that the volume must prove a standard one in regard to the various subjects of which you have treated. I am gratified to perceive your strong leaning towards conservative surgery; and I trust that ere long you will in your civil capacity add further renown to your name and reputation."





