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TO THE MEMBERS OF THE UNIVERSITY COURT, EDINBURGH.

MY LORDS AND GENTLEMEN,

I beg leave to offer myself as a candidate for the position of additional examiner in Clinical Surgery in the University of Edinburgh, and to submit for your consideration the accompanying testimonials.

I am a Master of Arts of Glasgow University, and graduated M.B. and C.M. with commendation at the same University in 1892.

Since then, in addition to studying for a year in London, and paying repeated visits to the clinics of distinguished surgeons on the continent and in America, I have filled the positions of Demonstrator of Anatomy at Glasgow University and Demonstrator of Operative Surgery in Anderson's College Medical School.

In 1896 I was appointed Dispensary Surgeon to the Western Infirmary of Glasgow, and in 1900 was promoted to be Assistant Surgeon to the hospital, a position which I still hold. During all these years I have been in close touch with the surgical work done there, and for the last seven years have had charge of surgical wards for three or four months each year.

Since 1900 I have acted as University Assistant to Sir Hector C. Cameron, Professor of Clinical Surgery in Glasgow, and in that capacity have had experience in teaching and examining students clinically.

In 1899 I was appointed extra surgeon to the Royal Hospital for Sick Children, Glasgow, and for nearly five years have acted as surgeon in charge of its Country Branch.

Should you do me the honour to appoint me to the vacant Examinership in Edinburgh University I shall make it the object of my best endeavours to discharge faithfully the duties of the post.

I have the honour to be,

My Lords and Gentlemen,
Yours faithfully,
ALFRED A. YOUNG.

TESTIMONIALS

FROM

SIR HECTOR C. CAMERON, M.D.

SIR GEORGE T. BEATSON, K.C.B., M.D.

PROFESSOR CLELAND, M.D., F.R.S.



From SIR HECTOR C. CAMERON, M.D., Professor of Clinical Surgery in the University of Glasgow.

18 WOODSIDE CRESCENT, GLASGOW, 16th December, 1907.

I HAVE known DR. A. A. YOUNG since his student days, and for the last seven years or more he has acted as my class assistant and as my substitute in the wards whenever I am absent. In the latter capacity he has had very unusual opportunities of acquiring experience and skill in surgical practice, while in the former he has done a great deal of teaching work.

This combined experience is the best possible pre-

paration for the duty of examining.

I know him besides to be a patient, fair-minded, and just man, and I feel sure that he will discharge, with much acceptance, the duties of additional examiner in a University, if he be appointed to such a post.

HECTOR C. CAMERON.



From SIR GEORGE T. BEATSON, K.C.B., M.D., Surgeon to the Western Infirmary, Glasgow.

7 WOODSIDE CRESCENT, GLASGOW, 16th December, 1907.

I UNDERSTAND from MR. ALFRED YOUNG that he is a candidate for the post of Examiner in Clinical Surgery in the University of Edinburgh and it gives me great pleasure to say how well qualified he is in every way for the position. Mr. Young has been for several years connected with the Glasgow Western Infirmary and is at present an Assistant Surgeon on the Staff of that Hospital. He has, too, for some time assisted Sir Hector Cameron, Professor of Clinical Surgery in Glasgow University, in the work of the Clinical Wards in the Western Infirmary, and has taken a share in the instruction and training of the students. In this way Mr. Young has had that valuable Hospital experience which is essential for any one desirous to act as Clinical Examiner, and to do so successfully. In addition Mr. Young has shown by his published cases that he is a skilful and up-to-date surgeon, and his record of work in the Western Infirmary is an excellent one. I do not think any one better qualified by training and ability could be found to act as Clinical Examiner, and I know that Mr. Young would be found an agreeable colleague as well as considerate and impartial towards those examined.

GEORGE THOS. BEATSON.

From JOHN CLELAND, M.D., D.Sc., F.R.S., Professor of Anatomy in Glasgow University.

2 THE UNIVERSITY, GLASGOW, 14th Dec., 1907.

I HAVE much pleasure in testifying in favour of DR. ALFRED A. Young, now a candidate for the position of Examiner in Clinical Surgery in the University of Edinburgh. Dr. Young, after graduating with commendation in 1892, has devoted himself continuously and with marked success to the practice of Surgery. He was for a time Demonstrator of Anatomy in this University, and showed himself most capable in the duties required. He has been for seven years Assistant Surgeon in the Western Infirmary, and from time to time has brought important surgical experiences before the public.

But mere excellence as a surgeon is not sufficient to make a good examiner; fairness and kindliness combined with a proper regard to the duty owed to the public are necessary, and these are qualities unquestionably possessed in a high degree by Dr. Alfred A. Young.

JOHN CLELAND.



