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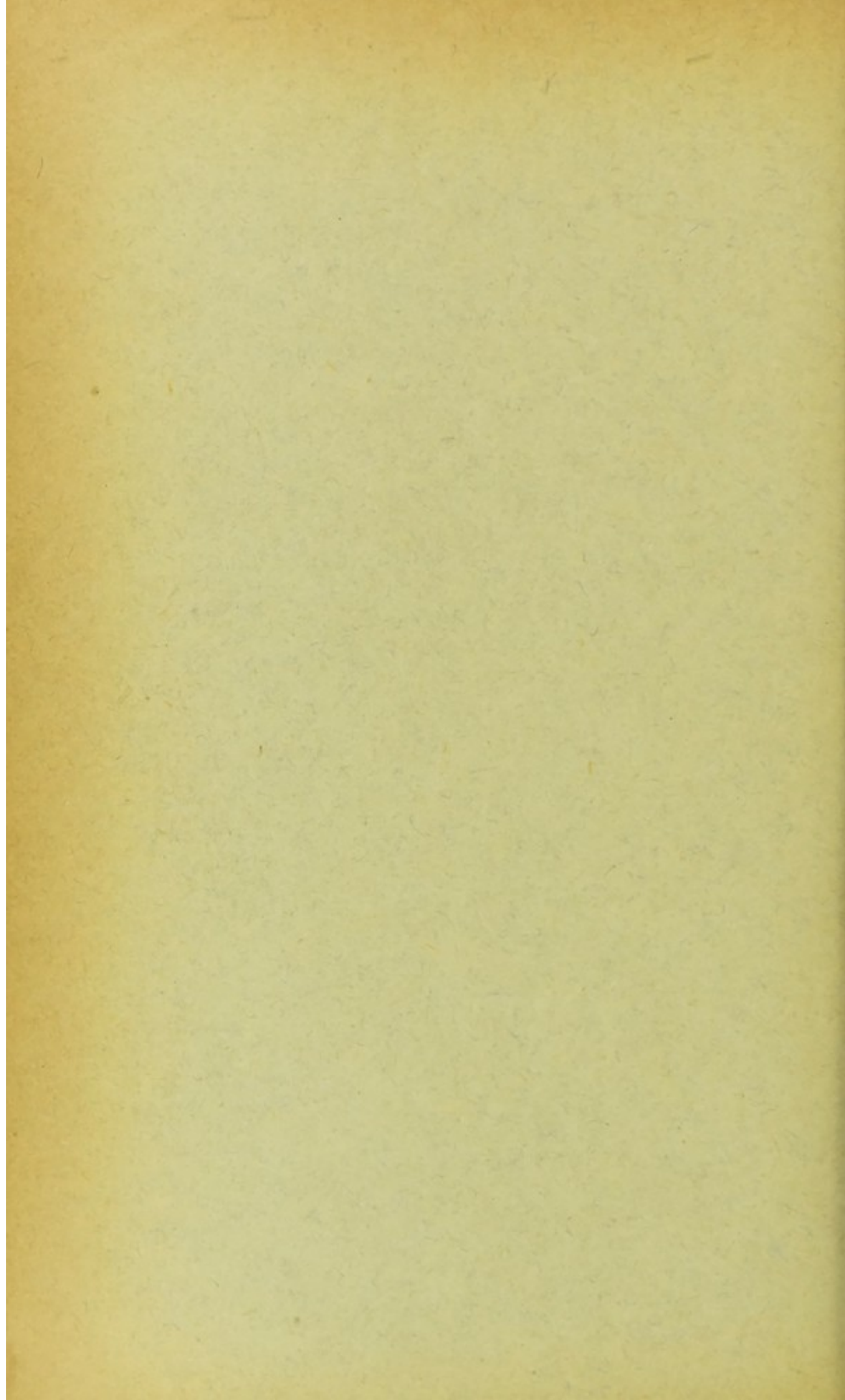
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2 WOODSIDE TERRACE,
GLASGOW, 5th March, 1914.

*TO THE DIRECTORS OF THE
ROYAL HOSPITAL FOR SICK CHILDREN.*

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,

I beg to offer myself as a candidate for the post of Visiting Surgeon to the Royal Hospital for Sick Children, and to submit for your consideration the accompanying testimonials.

I have been an extra surgeon to the Hospital for the last fourteen years, the greater part of which time has been spent as surgeon in charge of the Country Branch at Drumchapel. Two years ago I took up duty at the Dispensary in town, and came more closely into touch with the work done at the Hospital.

Since 1904 I have acted as consulting surgeon to the Children's Home at Aberfoyle (now removed to Strathblane), and have in this way been able to study over a period of years the course of some of the more chronic diseases of children, and feel that this experience is of great value in helping to determine the appropriate treatment in the earlier stages.

I graduated M.B. and C.M. with commendation at Glasgow University in 1892, and since then have held the following appointments :

DEMONSTRATOR OF ANATOMY :

Glasgow University - - 1894-1895

DISPENSARY SURGEON :

Western Infirmary - - - 1896-1900

ASSISTANT SURGEON :

Western Infirmary - - - 1900-1913

ASSISTANT TO PROFESSOR OF CLINICAL
SURGERY :

Glasgow University - - 1899-1908

EXAMINER IN CLINICAL SURGERY :

Edinburgh University - - 1908-1912

As assistant surgeon to the Western Infirmary I gained a wide surgical experience both in regard to the study of disease and also its operative treatment, assisting as I did at operations and attending in the wards almost daily for a number of years. In addition to this, during the twelve years of my appointment, I was entrusted with the full charge of wards for three or four months each year, and in this way a large amount of operative work fell to my lot.

I have had experience in teaching students for ten years, and during my tenure of the surgical examinership in Edinburgh University I was enabled to appreciate more fully the students' difficulties and to arrive at a better understanding of what is required in their teaching.

With a view to widening my surgical outlook, I have made repeated visits to the cliniques of distinguished surgeons in France and Germany and also in the United States of America, while more recently I have visited some of the best known Children's Hospitals in this country and studied the work done there.

I am not at present on the staff of any hospital, except that of the Royal Hospital for Sick Children, and should you do me the honour to appoint me to the position of Visiting Surgeon, I shall be able to devote ample time to the work of the Institution, and shall endeavour to discharge the duties of the post to the best of my ability.

I have the honour to be,

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,

Yours faithfully,

ALFRED A. YOUNG.

TESTIMONIALS

FROM

SIR HECTOR C. CAMERON, M.D., LL.D.

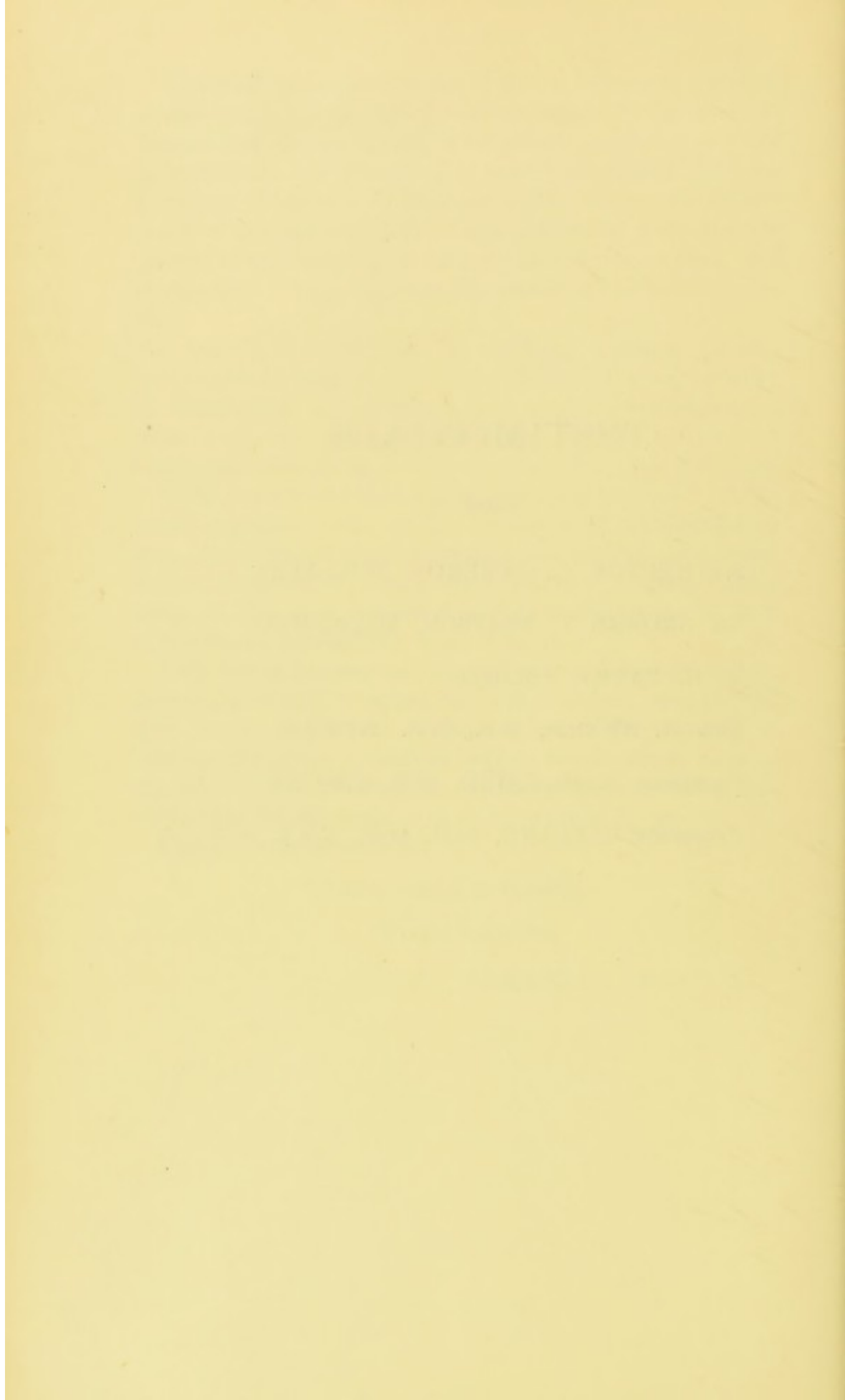
SIR GEORGE T. BEATSON, K.C.B., M.D.

R. H. PARRY, F.R.C.S.E.

JAS. H. NICOLL, M.B., C.M., F.F.P.S.G.

PROFESSOR F. M. CAIRD, M.D., F.R.C.S.E.

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



*From SIR HECTOR C. CAMERON, M.D., LL.D., Emeritus
Professor of Clinical Surgery in the University of
Glasgow; Consulting Surgeon to the Glasgow
Western Infirmary, etc.*

18 WOODSIDE CRESCENT,
GLASGOW, 3rd March, 1914.

I HAVE known DR. ALFRED A. YOUNG since his student days. For seven years (1899-1907) he acted as my class assistant as well as my substitute in the wards of the Western Infirmary whenever I was absent. In this way he had very unusual and frequent opportunities of acquiring experience and skill as an operator and in surgical practice generally. His success both as a diagnostician and as an operator was excellent, and I came more and more to place complete reliance in him. Both this experience and that of teaching large numbers of students will stand him in good stead if appointed a surgeon in the new and enlarged Hospital for Children.

Further, he has specially prepared himself for the duties of such an office by devoting much attention to the surgical diseases of infancy and childhood, not only in Glasgow but also in large and important clinics in other cities.

I commend him heartily to the Directors of the Royal Hospital for Sick Children in Glasgow as one most eligible, in every respect, for the position for which he now applies.

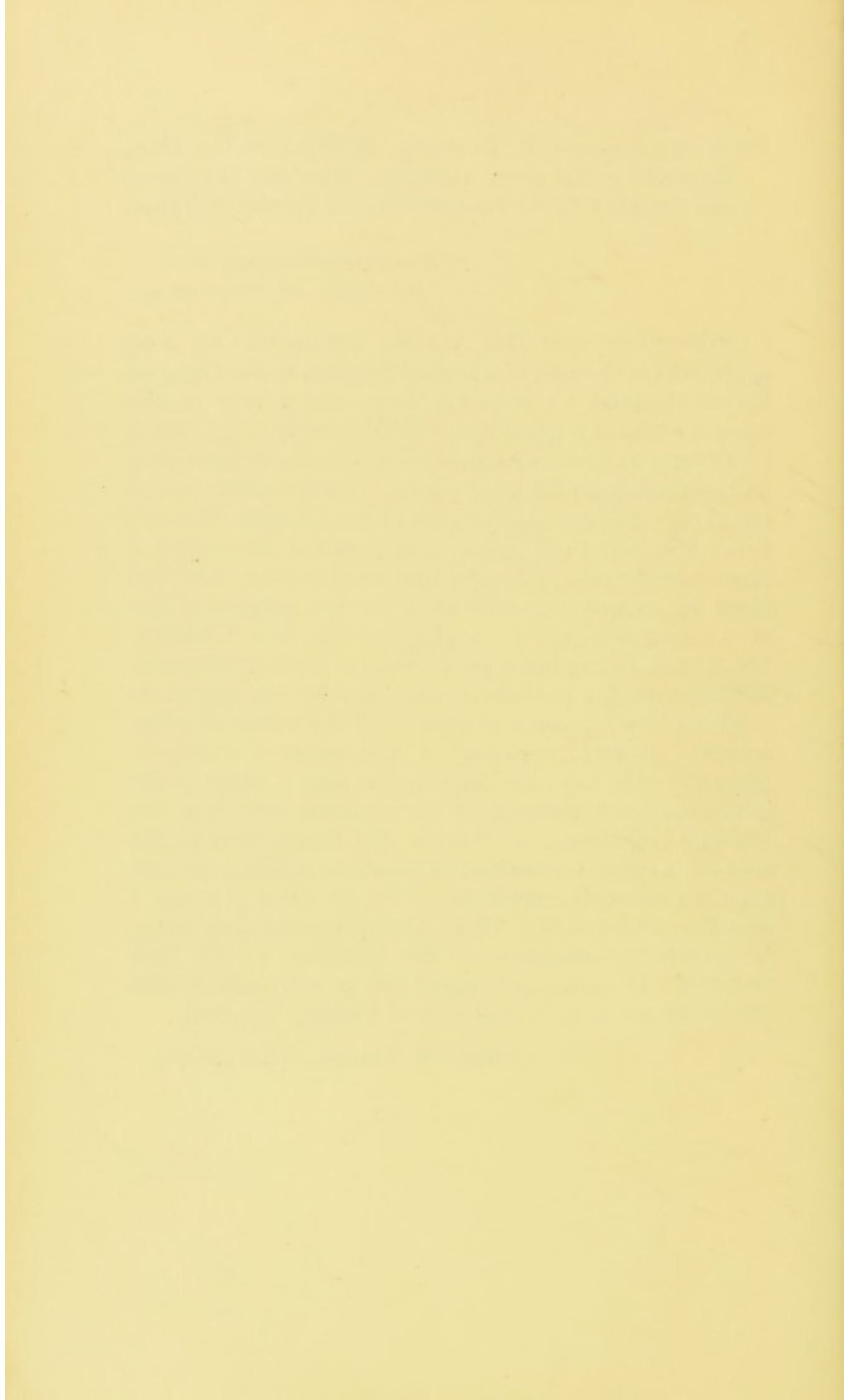
HECTOR C. CAMERON.

*From SIR GEORGE T. BEATSON, K.C.B., M.D., Hon.
Consulting Surgeon, Glasgow Western Infirmary,
and Surgeon to the Glasgow Royal Cancer Hospital.*

7 WOODSIDE CRESCENT,
GLASGOW, 4th March, 1914.

I UNDERSTAND from MR. ALFRED YOUNG that he is an applicant for the post of Visiting Surgeon to the Glasgow Royal Hospital for Sick Children, and I very readily comply with his request that I should testify to his fitness for the appointment, as I have known him both personally and professionally for many years. Until recently he was one of my colleagues on the staff of the Glasgow Western Infirmary, and I can speak from personal knowledge of him and his work, and know that he is in every way well fitted by experience and ability for the surgical duties of Visiting Surgeon to a Hospital for Sick Children. Mr. Alfred Young has a good record of work to his credit, as shown by his published cases, and he has spared no trouble to keep himself abreast of all the recent developments of surgery, especially in the matter of children's ailments. He has also taken in the past a share in the instruction and training of the students attending the Western Infirmary, so that in this department of the surgeon's duties he has had an excellent training and has acquired valuable experience. On all these grounds I would recommend Mr. Alfred Young's application to the favourable consideration of the Directors of the Sick Children's Hospital, as I regard him as well qualified and admirably suited to fill the post of Visiting Surgeon.

GEORGE THOS. BEATSON.



From R. H. PARRY, F.R.C.S.G., Surgeon to the Victoria Infirmary and Surgeon to the Royal Hospital for Sick Children, Glasgow; late Examiner in Surgery in the University of Glasgow.

25 BLYTHSWOOD SQUARE,
GLASGOW, 1st March, 1914.

DURING the past year DR. YOUNG has taken an active part in the operative work in the Royal Hospital for Sick Children, and I can speak from personal observation of the manner in which it was carried out and the success that attended it.

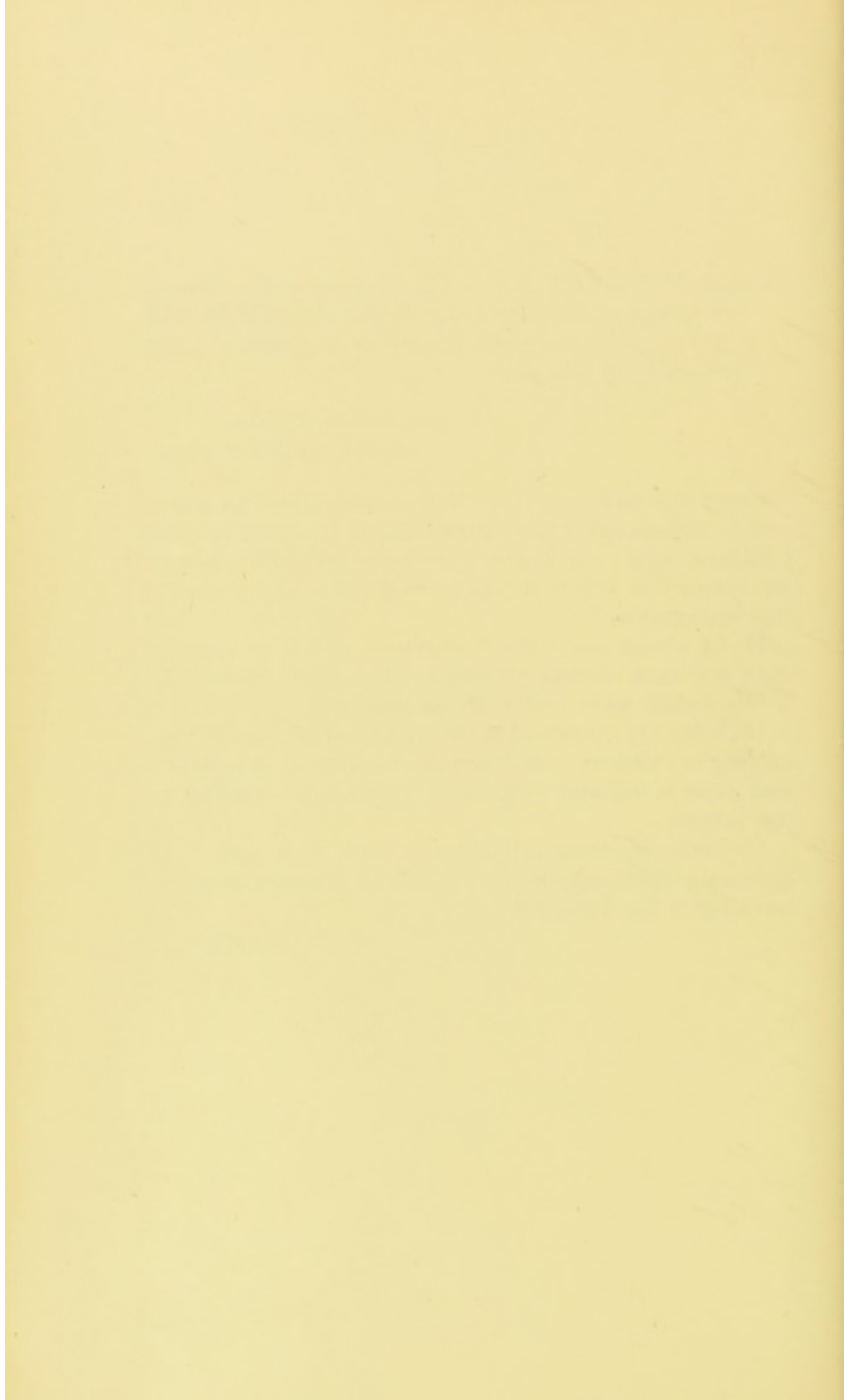
He is a neat and careful operator, and is conversant with the most modern technique of wound treatment.

His results were eminently satisfactory.

He is keenly interested in the treatment of diseases pertaining to children, and in our discussions on treatment I was most favourably impressed by his wide reading on the subject.

He is an excellent colleague to work with, and I am quite sure will co-operate very cordially in the harmonious working of the Hospital.

R. H. PARRY.



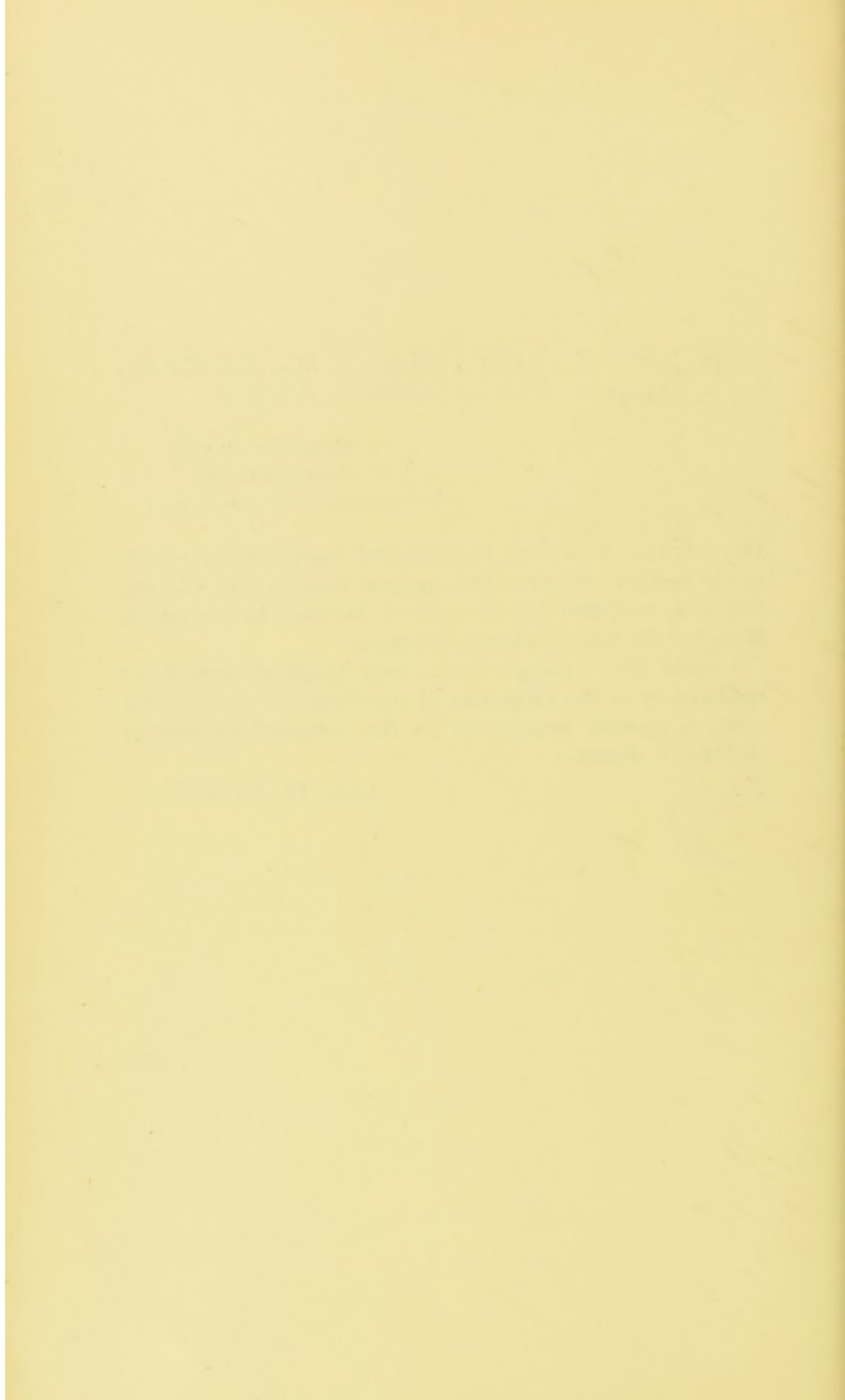
From JAMES H. NICOLL, M.B., C.M., F.F.P.S.G.,
Surgeon, Western Infirmary, Glasgow.

4 WOODSIDE PLACE,
CHARING CROSS,
GLASGOW, *2nd March, 1914.*

DR. ALFRED A. YOUNG has devoted much time and work to the special subject of the surgical diseases of children, and is a candidate for the post of Surgeon to the Royal Hospital for Sick Children, Glasgow.

I know Dr. Young's work, and would commend his application to the Directors of the Hospital as that of a man of special experience in the surgical aspects of children's diseases.

JAS. H. NICOLL.



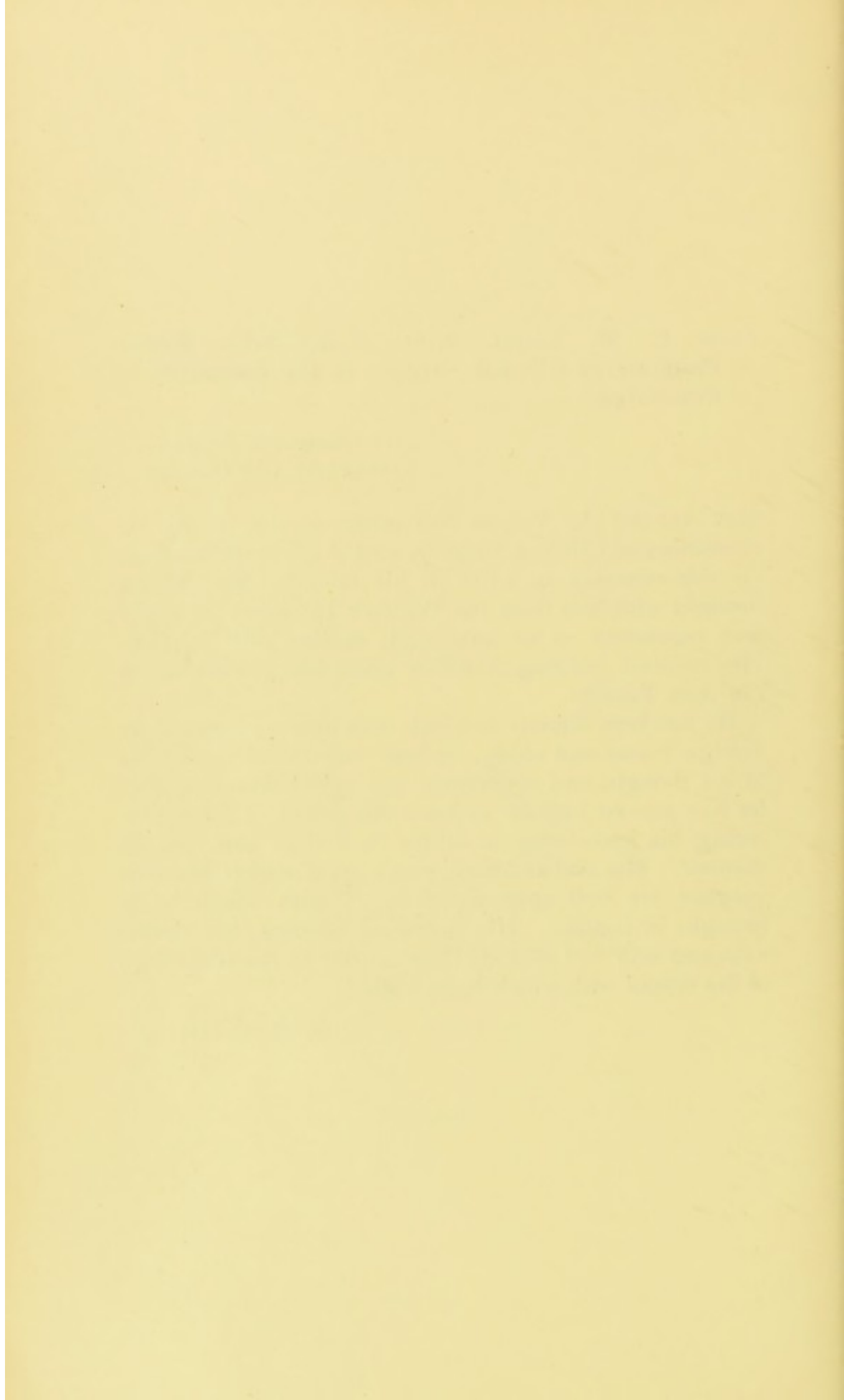
*From F. M. CAIRD, M.D., F.R.C.S.E., Regius
Professor of Clinical Surgery in the University of
Edinburgh.*

13 CHARLOTTE SQUARE,
EDINBURGH, 11th Oct., 1911.

MR. ALFRED A. YOUNG has acted as one of my co-examiners in Clinical Surgery, and it gives me pleasure on this occasion to write in his favour. Mr. Young brought with him from the Western Infirmary an excellent reputation as an anatomist, teacher and surgeon. His medical training followed upon his graduation in the Arts Faculty.

He has kept directly in touch with matters surgical by foreign travel and study, he has contributed the results of his thought and experience to surgical literature, and he has proved himself to have the power of communicating his knowledge to others in a clear and forcible manner. His zeal and energy as a good worker and able surgeon are well appreciated by all with whom he is brought in contact. His courteous bearing, his kindness and skill will all contribute largely to the advantage of the school with which he is related.

F. M. CAIRD.



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 kindness 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.

