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# TESTIMONIALS

IN FAVOUR OF

R. BEVERIDGE, A.M., M.B.,  
L. R. C. S. E.,

PHYSICIAN TO THE ROYAL INFIRMARY, ABERDEEN; LECTURER ON CLINICAL MEDICINE; ONE OF THE EXAMINERS IN MEDICINE IN THE UNIVERSITY OF ABERDEEN; PRESIDENT OF THE MEDICO-CHIRURGICAL SOCIETY, ABERDEEN; FORMERLY VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE PHILOSOPHICAL SOCIETY, ABERDEEN; FORMERLY DEMONSTRATOR OF ANATOMY, UNIVERSITY OF ABERDEEN, AND PATHOLOGIST AND LECTURER ON PATHOLOGY TO THE ROYAL INFIRMARY, ABERDEEN,

AS A CANDIDATE

FOR THE

CHAIR OF PRACTICE OF MEDICINE

IN THE

UNIVERSITY OF ABERDEEN.

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TO THE RIGHT HONOURABLE  
RICHARD ASSHETON CROSS, M.P.,

*Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Home Department.*

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*Sir,*

*I beg leave respectfully to offer myself as a Candidate for the Chair of Practice of Medicine in the University of Aberdeen, now vacant by the resignation of Dr. Macrobin.*

*I entered the Medical profession in 1847, and have therefore been over 25 years in practice; and have for the last 7 years been one of the Physicians to the Royal Infirmary. I have also been actively engaged in teaching, in connection with the Medical School here, during the greater part of my professional career, as will be seen from the statement I have the honour to submit herewith, which shows that my attention has been devoted chiefly to the teaching—first of Anatomy, afterwards of Pathology, and latterly of Clinical Medicine. These subjects have an important bearing on Practice of Medicine, especially the two last, which in reality form an essential part of that subject.*

*I have not been inattentive to original research and my observations and experience on many points connected with these subjects have been published in various papers which have from time to time appeared in the Medical Journals.*

*I will take an early opportunity of submitting for your consideration testimonials in support of these statements, and beg to add that, should the appointment be conferred on me, I will do my utmost to discharge the duties faithfully.*

*I have the honour to be,*

*Your obedient Servant,*

*R. BEVERIDGE.*

36 King Street,  
ABERDEEN, July 3, 1875.

**Statement of Dr. Beveridge's Qualifications as a Medical Teacher.**

In 1846, Dr. Beveridge obtained the Diploma of the Royal College of Surgeons, Edinburgh ; and in 1847, a Degree in Medicine from Marischal College and University, Aberdeen.

From 1847 to 1854, Dr. Beveridge was Demonstrator of Anatomy, and in that time conducted the work of the Practical Anatomy Rooms, and delivered a considerable portion of the courses of Lectures and Demonstrations on Anatomy.

From 1852 to 1854, Dr. Beveridge delivered each year complete courses of Lectures on Histology, comprising Demonstrations of the Microscopic Structure of Plants and Animals.

From 1854 to 1860, Dr. Beveridge was Lecturer on Botany in Marischal College and University of Aberdeen, and delivered each year complete courses of Lectures on Descriptive, Structural, and Physiological Botany.

In 1859 and 1860, he also delivered extra courses of Demonstrations on Practical Botany.

In 1860-61, Dr. Beveridge was again Demonstrator of Anatomy.

From 1862 to 1868, Dr. Beveridge was Lecturer on Botany in the Science School, Aberdeen, and delivered, during each Winter Session, a complete course of Lectures on Vegetable Physiology and Economic Botany, and during each Summer Session a complete course of Lectures on Descriptive and Systematic Botany.

From 1863 to 1868, Dr. Beveridge was Lecturer on Pathology, and Pathologist to the Royal Infirmary, Aberdeen, and delivered during each Winter Session a course of Lectures on Pathological Anatomy, and during each Summer Session a course of Lectures on General Pathology.

From 1869 to the present time, Dr. Beveridge has been one of the Physicians to the Royal Infirmary, Aberdeen, and one of the Lecturers on Clinical Medicine there.

From 1872 to the present time, Dr. Beveridge has been one of the Examiners in Medicine in the University of Aberdeen.

Dr. Beveridge has also very frequently delivered Popular Lectures on Scientific Subjects in Aberdeen and elsewhere.

During ten years, Dr. Beveridge acted as Secretary to the Aberdeen Medico-Chirurgical Society, and for the last two years he has been President of the same.

Dr. Beveridge is the Author of "Statistics of the Recent Epidemic of Typhus in Aberdeen, showing its probable cause and cost," 1868; of the article "Typhus," in "Quain's Dictionary of Medicine" (*in the press*); and of numerous articles which have from time to time appeared in the various Medical Papers.

**List of the Principal Papers published by Dr. Beveridge.**

STATISTICS OF THE RECENT EPIDEMIC OF TYPHUS IN ABERDEEN,  
showing its probable cause and cost.

*Note.*—This paper was read before the Social Science Association at its meeting at Manchester in 1866, was read again (by request) at its meeting at Belfast, in 1867, and published in full in the Transactions. It was afterwards published separately.

ARTICLE "TYPHUS" IN "QUAIN'S DICTIONARY OF MEDICINE,"  
—*in the Press.*

ON THE LATERAL MOVEMENTS OF THE FOOT.—*Edinburgh Medical and Surgical Journal.*

ON THE USE OF THE EPIGLOTTIS.—*Edinburgh Medical and Surgical Journal.*

ON THE PATHOLOGY OF HYDROCEPHALUS.—*Medical Times and Gazette, 1868.*

ON THE PATHOLOGY OF ILEUS.—*British Medical Journal, 1868.*

ON THE PATHOLOGY OF TYPHUS, AND ITS CONNECTION WITH LESION OF THE CERVICAL PORTION OF THE GREAT SYMPATHETIC NERVE.—*Medical Times and Gazette, 1869.*

CASE OF DISEASE OF THE TRIFACIAL NERVE, AND OF THE GASSERIAN GANGLION.—*Medical Times and Gazette, 1868.*

CASE OF EXTENSIVE DESTRUCTION OF THE FACE BY FIRE—EXFOLIATION OF THE BONES—RECOVERY.—*Medical Times and Gazette, 1868.*

CASE OF DISEASE OF THE PONS VAROLII.—*Medical Times and Gazette, 1869.*

PATHOLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS.—*Medical Press and Circular*,  
1869.

CASE OF EMBOLISM FROM MITRAL DISEASE.—*Medical Times  
and Gazette*, 1870.

CASE OF LARGE FIBROUS TUMOUR OF THE ABDOMEN.—*Medi-  
cal Times and Gazette*, 1870.

DR. BEVERIDGE is also the author of numerous Reports, &c.  
on various medical subjects which have appeared from time  
to time in the *Medical* or in the local papers.

**List of Papers read before the Aberdeen Medico-Chirurgical  
Society by Dr. Beveridge.**

- 1863.—Cases of VALVULAR DISEASE OF THE HEART, AND CAL-  
CIFICATION OF CORONARY ARTERIES.  
Case of ACUTE YELLOW ATROPHY OF LIVER.  
Case of ABSCESS OF THE KIDNEY.
- 1864.—Case of ILEUS.  
On the PREVAILING EPIDEMIC OF TYPHUS.
- 1865.—Case of EXOPHTHALMIC GOITRE.  
Cases of CANCER OF THE LIVER.  
Case of MORBUS PEDIS ENTOPHYTICUS.
- 1866.—Case of POPLITEAL ANEURISM.  
On RINDERPEST.  
Case of EXTENSIVE FRACTURE OF THE SCAPULA.  
On HORSE-SHOE KIDNEY, with cases.  
On certain cases of SUPPOSED RINDERPEST IN SHEEP.  
Case of PNEUMONIA, resulting from fracture of rib.  
On TYPHUS.  
Case of EXFOLIATION OF FRONTAL BONE, &c., from  
burn.  
Cases of CYSTIC DISEASE OF THE BROAD LIGAMENT OF  
THE UTERUS.  
Case of AORTIC ANEURISM, with recovery after burst-  
ing into Æsophagus.
- 1867.—Case of CANCER OF THE BRAIN.
- 1868.—On HYDROCEPHALUS.  
On the STATISTICS OF DISEASE IN ABERDEEN.  
On CALCAREOUS DEPOSITS IN SEROUS MEMBRANES.
- 1869.—On DISEASE OF THE SUPRA-RENAL CAPSULES, with cases.  
Case of PATENT DUCTUS ARTERIOSUS.

- 1870.—Case of DOUBLE ANEURISM OF THE AORTA.  
On DIABETES, with cases.
- 1871.—Case of ANEURISM OF AORTA.  
Case of FIBRINOUS DEPOSIT IN THE LEFT AURICLE OF  
THE HEART.  
On the CHANGE IN THE TYPE OF THE PREVAILING FEVER.
- 1872.—On the MEANS OF DETERMINING THE SEAT OF THE  
LESION IN CASES OF DISEASE OF THE BRAIN.  
Case of CANCER OF THE ABDOMEN AND LUNGS.  
Case of HEMORRHAGIC SMALL-POX.  
On the RECENT EPIDEMIC OF SMALL-POX.  
On CERVICAL CELLULITIS, with cases.
- 1873.—Case of LARGE AORTIC ANEURISM PERFORATING THE  
LOWER PART OF THE STERNUM.  
Case of AFFECTION OF THE WHOLE OF THE LYMPHATIC  
GLANDS.  
Case of GANGRENE from Embolism.
- 1874.—Case of POLYURIA.  
On an ANOMALOUS ACTION OF QUININE.  
Case of CANCER OF SMALL INTESTINE, with Intus-sus-  
ception.  
Case of PARTIAL HEMIPLEGIA, from Tubercular disease  
of the Brain.
- 1875.—Case of PHTHISIS PULMONALIS as a secondary result  
from long standing Chronic Cystitis.  
Case of GENERAL MILIARY TUBERCULOSIS, in which  
death was caused by Tubercular Meningitis.

**List of Papers read before the Aberdeen Philosophical Society by Dr. Beveridge.**

- 1852.—On the TOPOGRAPHY OF THE ARCTIC REGIONS, considered especially with reference to the existence of a North-West Passage.
- 1853.—On a Case of CONGENITAL MALFORMATION IN THE CALF.
- 1855.—On the ACTION OF CHLOROFORM.
- 1861.—On the PROGRESS OF DISCOVERY IN THE ARCTIC REGIONS OF AMERICA.
- 1863.—On SPECIES.
- 1865.—On the STATISTICS OF FEVER IN ABERDEEN.
- 1868.—On the RECENT THEORIES OF COLOUR-VISION.
- 1872.—On the HEALTH OF ABERDEEN FOR THE LAST TEN YEARS.
- 1873.—On the RECENT ARCTIC VOYAGES by German and American Explorers.
- 1875.—On the PROSPECTS OF ARCTIC DISCOVERY, in connection with the expedition now fitting out.

**List of Papers read before the North of Scotland Medical  
Association by Dr. Beveridge.**

1869.—Reports of cases of :—

1. TUBAL PREGNANCY.
2. EMBOLISM OF AORTA.
3. ABDOMINAL TUMOUR.

1871.—Report on SMALL-POX IN ABERDEEN.

1873.—On the DIAGNOSIS of Certain Obscure Forms of  
DISEASE OF THE BRAIN.

## PRELIMINARY STATEMENT.

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THE following Testimonials are intended to support the statements made in Dr. Beveridge's Letter of Application, especially with reference to his position in the profession, his experience as a Lecturer, and the professional work he has done. Dr. Beveridge's practice as a consulting physician, and the active part which he has for many years taken in the local Medical Societies, have brought him into contact extensively with the members of the medical profession in this part of the country, to all of whom he is personally known. From a few of these testimonials have been obtained; but instead of multiplying separate testimonials, which might doubtless have been readily done, it has been considered preferable to obtain a conjoint recommendation from those medical men who may fairly be deemed to have an interest in the filling of such a Chair as that of the Practice of Medicine. These comprise—first, the local medical practitioners in Aberdeenshire and adjacent counties; and secondly, the medical graduates of the University who are (or may be) members of the University General Council. Those only have been asked to sign these recommendations

who, by their personal acquaintance with Dr. Beveridge, are competent to form an independent opinion of his qualifications; and it is respectfully submitted that the large number of signatures obtained in so short a time is a fair indication of the estimation in which Dr. Beveridge is held by his professional brethren.

In addition to these, a few other separate testimonials have been obtained from eminent members of the profession in other parts of the country, and the whole are arranged in the following order:—

- 1.—Separate Testimonials from local Medical Men.
- 2.—Testimonials from Edinburgh, London, and Dublin respectively.
- 3.—Joint Recommendations from local Medical Practitioners, and from Medical Graduates of the University of Aberdeen.

*July 19, 1875.*

# TESTIMONIALS.

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## I.

*From* W. PIRRIE, A.M., M.D., L.R.C.S., ED., F.R.S., ED.,  
C.M., (Abdn.), *Professor of Surgery, University of  
Aberdeen, Senior Surgeon, Royal Infirmary, Aberdeen;  
Author of "Principles and Practice of Surgery," &c.*

253 UNION STREET, ABERDEEN,  
5th July, 1875.

I HAVE had ample opportunities of observing Dr. BEVERIDGE'S enthusiastic devotion to the study of the medical branch of our profession, and I certify with the greatest confidence that he has a thorough acquaintance with both its theoretical and practical aspects.

Dr. Beveridge's experience as an Hospital Physician, his great fluency as a lecturer, and his numerous contributions to medical literature appear to me to show that he possesses qualifications of a high order for the Chair of Medicine now vacant in the University of Aberdeen.

WILLIAM PIRRIE,  
Professor of Surgery.

## II.

*From* ROBERT JAMIESON, M.A., M.D., L.R.C.S., ED.;  
*Physician and Superintendent Royal Lunatic Asylum,*  
*Aberdeen; Author of "Lectures on the Medical Juris-*  
*prudence of Insanity," &c.*

ABERDEEN, 5th July, 1875.

I AM glad to have the opportunity of expressing my opinion of the claims of Dr. BEVERIDGE of Aberdeen to the vacant Chair of Medicine in the University here. Without intending to disparage the qualifications of others, it certainly appears to me, as I think it must appear to most, if not all, his medical brethren, that there is no one presenting the same claims to the appointment, or having given the same proof of ability to discharge the duties connected with it, and whose selection would be so unanimously approved of by such of the general community as interest themselves in University matters.

While still in the prime of life, Dr. Beveridge has had his professional powers exercised not merely in various departments of theoretical medicine, but practically tested besides in the arduous duties of an Hospital and Consulting Physician, and has attained a high reputation in this part of the kingdom. He is also a teacher of experience, with great gifts in the way of exposition and instruction. He has kept up with the science and knowledge of the day, in so far as bearing on the under-

standing of the causes of disease and dealing with the modes of its removal. In short, both as a teacher and writer on Pathological subjects, Dr. Beveridge has exhibited industry and mental powers making him worthy beyond criticism or cavil of a Chair of Pathology and Medicine in his *alma mater* or any other University.

ROBERT JAMIESON, A.M., M.D., &c.,  
Physician to the Royal Lunatic Asylum.

## III.

*From* HENRY JACKSON, M.D., (Abdn.), L.R.C.S., ED.

19 GOLDEN SQUARE, ABERDEEN,  
*7th July, 1875.*

DR. ROBERT BEVERIDGE has been known to me ever since he commenced his Medical studies. When he was a student, I was often at a loss whether most to admire the versatility of his genius in acquiring all kinds of information together with the faculty which he possessed of marshalling such knowledge in his own mind, or the remarkably clear and lucid manner in which he communicated such knowledge to the minds of others. But not only has nature richly endowed him with gifts as a teacher, but ever since he commenced the practice of his profession, his talents have found constant exercise and abundant scope as a teacher in various branches of Medical Science (as I have no doubt will be abundantly testified to by others), and in all with great acceptance by the students.

He holds a high position as a Physician in this city and neighbourhood. He is also one of the Examiners in Medicine in our University, as well as one of the Lecturers on Clinical Medicine in the Royal Infirmary.

He is also President of the Medico-Chirurgical Society, and has, without any exception, been the most frequent contributor of Medical papers thereto. He has also

enriched the literature of our profession by various articles in our Medical Papers, in all of which he has given abundant evidence that he is not only an acute and careful observer, but also that he possesses a sound and discriminative judgment; and I feel that I am quite justified in stating that not only in my opinion, but in that of a very considerable number of the members of the profession in this city and elsewhere, there are few men who could, with so much propriety, aspire to the Chair of Medicine now vacant in our University, or discharge its duties more creditably than Dr. Robert Beveridge.

HENRY JACKSON, M.D., L.R.C.S., Ed.

## IV.

From JAMES RODGER, M.A., M.B., C.M., (Aberdeen),  
*Pathologist to the Royal Infirmary, Aberdeen; late  
Demonstrator of Anatomy, University of Aberdeen,  
Physician to the Aberdeen General Dispensary.*

22 UNION PLACE, ABERDEEN,  
*12th July, 1875.*

DEAR DR. BEVERIDGE,—Having been requested by you to express my opinion of your qualifications to fill the vacant chair of Practice of Medicine in the University of Aberdeen, for which you are at present a candidate, as your friend and colleague I do so with the most cordial desire for the success of your candidature.

Even as a student you acquired a pre-eminent reputation for the extent and accuracy of your scholarship and scientific knowledge, and for several years afterwards you further distinguished yourself as an accomplished lecturer in our Medical School, in more than one of the branches of Medical Science.

But I have more especially to speak of your attainments as known to myself from personal acquaintance for the last twelve years, while you were Pathologist to the Royal Infirmary, and afterwards Physician and Clinical Lecturer there, and more recently since you were elected President to the Aberdeen Medico-Chirurgical Society for the last two years.

As Pathologist and Clinical Teacher, you have shown a capacity for minute, careful, and accurate observation, such as could be manifested only by one thoroughly trained in the method and spirit of the natural sciences. In no less degree were you notable for the clearness and conciseness with which you explained and elucidated the various clinical, pathological, and physiological problems you had to deal with. In this respect the perspicuity and excellence of your clinical lectures have been most deservedly valued and acknowledged by all your students. Moreover, in the discharge of the important duties of an Examiner for Medical Degrees in the University, your conduct has always been characterised by searching investigation and strict impartiality.

My estimation of your character as a gentleman, and of the extent and versatility of your professional abilities, has increased on my further acquaintance with you, since I became your colleague in the Hospital, and during your presidency of the Medical Society ; and the prudent forethought and acute business talents, combined with the modest, unselfish manner with which you have conducted the public affairs of the profession, in their business and social meetings, has been acknowledged by every independent and unprejudiced member of the profession.

From the long connection and distinguished public position you have occupied in the profession, you have become personally acquainted with almost every medical practitioner in the North-East of Scotland, and your opinion as a consultant is frequently appealed to, not

only in critical cases in private practice, but also in several questions in connection with public medicine.

Your exclusive devotion to the practice of a physician, now for upwards of a quarter of a century, has given you an extensive and matured experience; and this, united to your almost equally extensive practical knowledge of the allied sciences of Chemistry, Anatomy, Physiology, and Pathology, along with your facility to communicate instruction as a lecturer, would prove of the highest practical value in a University Chair, such as Practice of Medicine.

Although there may be several among the members of the Medical profession qualified to discharge efficiently the duties of the Chair of Practice of Medicine, yet I should much regret to see it held by anyone who did not most thoroughly deserve the confidence of the medical profession at large, or who was not able to extend the influence of that position beyond the mere routine duties of teaching; and I do with all sincerity say that I know of no one better calculated than yourself to extend the influence and learning of the University in that position, more likely to contribute to the advancement of medical science generally, or better qualified to preserve the confidence and respect of the Medical profession of the North-East of Scotland.

I am,

Yours very sincerely,

JAMES RODGER.

## V.

*From* J. C. OGILVIE WILL, M.D. and C.M., (Abdn.),  
*Assistant Surgeon, Aberdeen Royal Infirmary,*  
*Author of various contributions to the Medical Papers.*

12 UNION TERRACE, ABERDEEN,  
*5th July, 1875.*

DR. ROBERT BEVERIDGE, who is now a candidate for the Professorship of Medicine in the University of Aberdeen, has long been considered one of the most learned and assiduous cultivators of Medicine in the North of Scotland ; his talents are so widely honoured, so much esteemed, that testimonials regarding his fitness seem almost superfluous.

His intimate acquaintance with all the branches of Medical Science, his valuable contributions to Medical Literature, and his lucid mode of imparting information in the lecture room, all mark Dr. Beveridge as one thoroughly fitted for the Chair for which he is now a candidate.

If appointed, I feel sure that he will add lustre to the University, with which he has already been—in one capacity or another—so long connected.

J. C. OGILVIE WILL, M.D.

## VI.

*From* ALEXANDER HARVEY, M.D., Edin., L.R.C.S. Ed.,  
*Professor of Materia Medica in the University of  
Aberdeen, Consulting Physician to the Aberdeen Royal  
Infirmary, formerly President of the Aberdeen Medico-  
Chirurgical Society, author of "Trees and their Nature,  
or the Bud and its Attributes," the "Testimony of  
Nature to the identity between the Bud and the Seed,"  
and various contributions to Botanical and Physiological  
Science.*

ABERDEEN, 3rd July, 1875.

MY DEAR SIR,—In the circumstances in which I am placed in relation to Dr. Smith-Shand and his candidature for the Chair of Medicine in this University, I feel that I cannot do more for you on this occasion, in the way of a testimonial, than to allow you to make use of the strong testimonial I gave you a few years ago, and to prefix this note thereto, with this assurance, that I still adhere to all that I then said regarding you.

I am,

Dear Sir,

Yours faithfully,

ALEX. HARVEY.

*3rd August, 1867.*

HAVING long known Dr. ROBERT BEVERIDGE, I have much pleasure in testifying to his great acquirements in all the branches of Natural History and of Medicine, especially in Botany, Zoology, and Anatomy.

Dr. Beveridge has for a long time been known in this city as an active and successful teacher of these three subjects. He has also for some considerable time filled the office of Pathologist to the Royal Infirmary of Aberdeen, the duties of which he has discharged in a very efficient manner.

As a lecturer, Dr. Beveridge is singularly clear and fluent in style; and, having frequently heard him read original papers before the Philosophical and Medico-Chirurgical Societies here, I can testify to his eminent ability as a speaker, his facility in expressing himself on all occasions, and his capacity in making anything he touches on plain and intelligible to his hearers.

For some years he has acted as Secretary to the Medico-Chirurgical Society; and, in that capacity, he has most efficiently and successfully conducted the business of that Institution.

ALEXANDER HARVEY, M.D.,

Professor of Materia Medica in the University of Aberdeen.

DR. BEVERIDGE.

## VII.

*From* WM. FRASER, A.M. (Abdn.), M.R.C.S., Eng., *Senior Physician, Aberdeen General Dispensary, author of "Queries in Medical Ethics," "Observations on the Vinegar Plant," &c.*

31 UNION TERRACE,  
12th July, 1875.

HAVING known DR. BEVERIDGE, and observed his progress almost since he commenced his professional life, I feel justified in giving an opinion as to his qualifications for the office of Professor of the Practice of Medicine now vacant in the University of Aberdeen.

While shewing, by the distinguished position he held both at school and college, his power of acquiring knowledge and learning, his subsequent career has displayed an equally extraordinary faculty of applying them, and of imparting them to others.

So multifarious, accurate, and complete is his knowledge, that there are few branches of Medical Science on which he has not, at various times, either delivered systematic courses, or given detached lectures, or written papers; and his treatment of subjects is at once exact, accurate, exhaustive, practical, and instructive.

His thorough acquaintance with Practical Anatomy and Pathology acquired as Demonstrator at the Univer-

sity, and as Pathologist at the Hospital, laid the foundation, after his appointment as Physician to the latter Institution, for that high character and position as a Physician to which he has since attained. His extensive employment as a Consulting Physician, both in town and country, sufficiently indicates the estimation in which he is held as one of the most learned and skilful physicians in this part of the country.

That his career should culminate in the University Medical Professoriate seems to me the natural result of the successive steps he has made in this direction; and I believe that, by his unwearied industry, great special as well as general knowledge and accomplishments, upright, modest, and amiable character, and by his previous training and peculiar adaptation for the office, he would do entire justice to the Chair to which he aspires, and that his appointment to it would be gratifying both to the profession generally, to his fellow-townsmen, and to this district of the country.

WM. FRASER, M.R.C.S., Eng.

## VIII.

*From D. DYCE BROWN, M.A., M.D., and C.M., (Abdn.),  
one of the Physicians of the Aberdeen General Dis-  
pensary, and late Assistant Professor of Materia  
Medica, University of Aberdeen, Author of various  
contributions to the Medical Papers.*

261 UNION STREET, ABERDEEN,  
7th July, 1875.

DEAR DR. BEVERIDGE,—I am very glad to hear that you are a candidate for the Chair of Practice of Medicine in our University.

I had the pleasure of making your acquaintance in 1859 as a student attending your Lectures on Botany in Marischal College. The clearness and earnestness with which you lectured could not fail to give to the student, as it did in my own case, an enthusiastic interest in a subject which by many is considered dry and uninteresting. In the winter of 1860-61, I had again the privilege of attending your Demonstrations of Anatomy, during the absence from illness of Professor Lizars, and I was struck with the perfect facility with which you could show yourself as thoroughly at home in lecturing on Anatomy as on Botany. I had graduated before you began to lecture on Pathology, but from the numerous papers on Pathological subjects I have heard you read at

the Medico-Chirurgical Society, I feel sure it must have been treated of in an equally masterly way. Your having been one of the Clinical Lecturers at the Hospital, as well as Physician, is a special preparation for the Chair of Practice of Medicine, for which you are a candidate.

Such having been your long training for this Chair; so great has been the success which has hitherto attended your teaching; and so extensive and varied are your attainments, in regard to which there is but one opinion, that I consider you qualified in the highest degree for the vacant Chair of Medicine.

I am sure, that if appointed, you will fulfil the duties in such a manner as will add greatly to the efficiency of the Medical School, and increase your present high reputation.

Believe me,

Yours very truly,

D. DYCE BROWN.

DR. BEVERIDGE.

## IX.

*From* AL. DUNCAN, M.A., M.B., (Abdn.), M.R.C.S., Eng.;  
*one of the Physicians of the Aberdeen General Dispensary.*

ABERDEEN, 2 CROWN PLACE,  
*8th July, 1875.*

MY DEAR SIR,—Understanding that you are a candidate for the vacant Chair of Practice of Medicine in the Aberdeen University, I have great pleasure in bearing testimony to your fitness for it.

I have been intimately acquainted with you for years, and have very frequently heard you speak extempore, or read papers at length on medical topics with surpassing clearness of judgment and striking familiarity of knowledge with the subject, whatever it chances to be. Your high acquirements in general science are talked of hereabout, and much appreciated by many others I know in distant quarters.

If I can add anything as to your special merit for the office to which you aspire, let me state that your knowledge of the physiology and phenomena of internal disease is profound, and the precision with which you explained your views never failed to strike me with admiration.

From whatever I know of you either in a general way or as to your adaptation for the Chair in question, I hesitate not to say that there is no one in this quarter better qualified to occupy it.

I am,

Yours faithfully,

AL. DUNCAN,

M.A., M.B., M.R.C.S.L.,

One of the Physicians of the General Dispensary.

DR. BEVERIDGE.

## X.

*From J. URQUHART, M.D., M.R.C.S. Eng., Aberdeen, late  
Coroner of Madras; Professor of Medical Jurispru-  
dence, Madras Medical College, and Examiner in  
Medicine, University, Madras.*

10 UNION TERRACE, ABERDEEN,  
12th July, 1875.

DR. BEVERIDGE has been well known to me from the beginning of his Medical career to the present time.

He has been a most devoted and successful student ever since he began professional life, and has exhibited rare capacity as a Teacher in several branches of Medical Science.

He was for many years Lecturer on Pathology, and Pathologist to the Royal Infirmary, Aberdeen; and is at present one of the Lecturers on Clinical Medicine, and one of the Physicians in the same Institution, as well as one of the Examiners in Medicine in the University of Aberdeen.

From the opportunities he has had and from the very great talents he possesses, I am of opinion that his qualifications for the Chair of Medicine in the University of Aberdeen are such as to render his appointment to the Professorship not only most beneficial to the Medical School but an honour to the University itself.

J. URQUHART, M.D.,  
Late Coroner of Madras, Prof. Med. Jurisp.  
in Med. Col.; and Examr. in Medicine,  
University of Madras.

## XI.

*From* ROBERT RATTRAY, M.D. (Abdn.), M.R.C.S., Eng.,  
*Superintendent of the Royal Infirmary, Aberdeen,*  
*formerly Lecturer on Materia Medica, King's College,*  
*Aberdeen.*

ROYAL INFIRMARY, ABERDEEN,  
*16th July, 1875.*

MY DEAR SIR,

Your request that I should add my testimony to that of others in respect to your fitness for the vacant Chair of Practice of Medicine in this University, I cheerfully comply with.

You have been long known amongst us as an ardent and successful student of Medical Science, and also as an acceptable teacher of several of its branches. I therefore cannot but think that the course of training you have had as a Teacher, with your experience as an Hospital Physician, must satisfy the Patrons of the Professorship you now apply for, that you are well qualified to discharge the duties of such an appointment.

Yours very truly,

ROBERT RATTRAY.

DR. BEVERIDGE.

## XII.

*From T. FARQUHAR, M.D., (Abdn.), Surgeon-Major, H.M.  
Indian Army.*

KINMUNDY HOUSE, SKENE,  
9th July, 1875.

MY DEAR DR. BEVERIDGE,—You ask me to express my opinion of your qualifications for the Chair of Medicine in Aberdeen; in doing so let me refer to our early acquaintance, as class fellows when at School and College together. You then deeply impressed me by the accuracy and keen intelligence with which you grasped the subjects of study in which we were then engaged; and I well remember the high position you always held in our large class.

On returning from India, I was glad to find you retained in the fuller development of your faculties the same invaluable characteristics. These you have devoted with energy and success to the study of Medicine; and have acquired the power of expressing your views with such clearness, that students cannot fail to understand what you have to communicate.

I suppose you are certain of being appointed to the vacant Chair, and feel sure you will do your part well in upholding the high character of the Aberdeen School of Medicine.

Yours very sincerely,

T. FARQUHAR, M.D.,  
Surgeon-Major, H.M. Indian Army.

## XIII.

*From* SAMUEL DAVIDSON, M.D., (Abdn.), M.R.C.S., ENG.,  
*Wartle, Aberdeenshire, late President of the North of  
Scotland Medical Association.*

MEIKLE WARTLE, *7th July, 1875.*

IT affords me very great pleasure to have an opportunity of giving a certificate in favour of DR. R. BEVERIDGE, whom I have intimately known for years. I consider him to be one of the best qualified Medical gentlemen with whom I have come in contact. His general knowledge, especially in subjects connected with medicine, his experience in teaching, and his fluency in lecturing, point him out as a person well qualified to occupy the Chair of Medicine in our University. I wish him every success.

SAM. DAVIDSON, M.D.

## XIV.

*From P. JAMIESON, M.A., (Abdn.), L.R.C.S. Ed., Secretary  
to the Buchan Medical Society.*

PETERHEAD, 12th July, 1875.

I HAVE known DR. R. BEVERIDGE for many years. I have heard him deliver lectures on Medical and cognate subjects. I have frequently called him in consultation to difficult Medical cases.

Dr. Beveridge is clear and perspicuous in his prelections.

He is discriminating in investigation, sound in judgment, and fertile in resource. His knowledge of Medical literature is varied and profound.

With these qualifications he is, in my opinion, well fitted to occupy the Chair of Medicine in the University of Aberdeen.

PAT. JAMIESON, M.A., L.R.C.S.E.

## XV.

*From* ALEXANDER BAIN, M.A., LL.D., *Professor of Logic in the University of Aberdeen, author of "The Senses and the Intellect," "Mental and Moral Science," &c.*

UNIVERSITY OF ABERDEEN,  
*12th July, 1875.*

DR. ROBERT BEVERIDGE was first known to me more than thirty years ago, as a student in the Class of Logic and Moral Philosophy in Aberdeen, which I taught as assistant to the Professor. He was one of the best in the class, and carried off a prize at the end of the Session. Besides his thorough comprehension and mastery of the subjects taught, he attracted my special notice by his singular neatness of expression.

Having had the means of knowing something of his subsequent acquirements, especially in the Natural Sciences, I have no hesitation in pronouncing them to be very extensive, and pervaded by a sound and accurate judgment.

I have often listened to his oral addresses; and, without the help of notes, he expresses himself with an easy fluency, clearness, and finish, such as I have seldom heard equalled, and reminding me of his early talent for composition.

It is with diffidence that I venture to speak of his acquaintance with the Principles of Medicine. I was

greatly impressed with the thoroughness of his paper on the "Statistics of Typhus in Aberdeen"; and I do not know of any Medical man of his standing more likely to possess a mastery of the general subject, or to bring together, in an effective manner, the best attainable lights on the principles and practice of the healing art.

A. BAIN.

## XVI.

*From* J. MATTHEWS DUNCAN, A.M., M.D., (Abdn.),  
F.R.C.P., ED., L.R.C.S.E., F.R.S., ED.; *President of*  
*the Obstetric Society, Edinburgh; Physician, and*  
*Clinical Lecturer on Diseases of Women, Royal Infir-*  
*mary, Edinburgh; Author of "Fecundity, Fertility,*  
*and Sterility," &c. &c.*

30 CHARLOTTE SQUARE, EDINBURGH,  
5th July, 1875.

I HAVE great pleasure in certifying the high opinion I entertain of DR. BEVERIDGE'S qualifications for the Chair of the Practice of Medicine in the University of Aberdeen; and I add that I hold that his past services to the Medical School of Aberdeen constitute for him strong claims on the favourable consideration of the Patron.

Dr. Beveridge is recognised as a good lecturer and teacher, and this is naturally expected in one who has had so extensive and varied experience.

His knowledge of, and practice in, Anatomy, Histology, Pathology, and Morbid Anatomy, give him the greatest advantages for the kind of teaching to which he now aspires; and are rarely compassed by one individual.

Dr. Beveridge has had long experience as a private practitioner and Hospital physician. He lectures on Clinical Medicine and is extensively consulted.

I regard Dr. Beveridge as eminently qualified to fill the vacant Chair.

J. MATTHEWS DUNCAN.

## XVII.

*From J. WARBURTON BEGBIE, M.D., F.R.C.P., ED., &c. ;  
Member of the Medical Council of Great Britain.*

EDINBURGH, 6th July, 1875.

MY DEAR SIR,—The circumstance of my having already given a testimonial to Dr. Smith Shand need not preclude me from stating that I believe you to be an accomplished physician, and fully qualified to undertake the duties of Professor of the Practice of Medicine.

I am,

Yours sincerely,

J. W. BEGBIE.

DR. BEVERIDGE.

## XVIII.

*From J. G. M'KENDRICK, M.D., C.M. (Abdn.), F.R.C.P.,  
Ed., F.R.S., Ed., Lecturer on the Institutes of Medicine,  
Edinburgh, Author of various contributions to the  
Medical Papers.*

2 CHESTER STREET, EDINBURGH,  
*28th July, 1875.*

I HAVE much pleasure in stating that Dr. BEVERIDGE has shown himself to be highly qualified for the Chair of Practice of Medicine in the University of Aberdeen. He is well known as a very able man, who, after long experience in the art of teaching, has won for himself a reputation as a physician. When I consider the training he has had in the various branches of study which lead up to Practice of Medicine, his ability as a Lecturer, and the intellectual ability which has characterised all his writings, I know no one better fitted for the important Chair of Medicine in my *alma mater*, and I would rejoice to hear of his success.

JOHN G. M'KENDRICK.

## XIX.

*From* T. GRAINGER STEWART, M.D., F.R.C.P., Ed., F.R.S.,  
Ed., *Physician to the Royal Infirmary, Edinburgh,*  
*Lecturer on Clinical Medicine, and on Practice of*  
*Medicine, Author of "Treatise on Bright's Disease of*  
*the Kidney," "Acute Atrophy of the Liver and*  
*Kidney," &c.*

19 CHARLOTTE SQUARE, EDINBURGH,  
*July, 1875.*

I HAVE much pleasure in certifying that Dr. BEVERIDGE has long been known to me as a highly educated medical man, also as a diligent worker, and most successful teacher in many departments of Medicine. I understand that he has been a very useful teacher in connection with the School of Medicine of the University of Aberdeen, and therefore has special claims upon that Institution.

T. GRAINGER STEWART.

## XX.

*From J. R. WOLFE, M.D., F.R.C.S. Ed., Lecturer on Ophthalmic Medicine and Surgery, Andersonian University, Glasgow; formerly Ophthalmic Surgeon, Royal Infirmary, Aberdeen; Author of "An Improved Method of Extraction of Cataract," &c.*

. 18 BRANDON PLACE, GLASGOW,  
*July 13, 1875.*

HAVING been for about six years connected with the Aberdeen Royal Infirmary, I take an interest in the prosperity of that Medical School, and I am pleased to learn that Dr. BEVERIDGE is a Candidate for the vacant Chair of Practice of Medicine.

He possesses a rare combination of talents of the very highest order, and I have had ample opportunities of appreciating his amiability of character, his high attainments, and his capacity as a Public Lecturer. The Chair of Practice of Medicine, for which Dr. Beveridge is now a Candidate, is that department for which his previous long training renders him peculiarly qualified: as an eminent Anatomist, as an expert Pathologist, with the skilful handling of the microscope, and as having had for a number of years that scientific training brought to bear upon the study of disease at the bed-side in the wards of the Royal Infirmary. He has shown himself, by his publications in the *Medical Times* and elsewhere, a

master of Clinical Medicine of the highest order. I consider Dr. Beveridge as a valuable acquisition to any Medical School, I am convinced he will do honour to the Chair of Practice of Medicine in the Aberdeen University, and I am sure that the Medical profession in the North of Scotland, by whom he is held in high esteem as a profound scholar, scientific man, and physician, will be deeply interested in his favour.

J. R. WOLFE, M.D., F.R.C.S.E.,  
Formerly Ophthalmic Surgeon, Aberdeen  
Royal Infirmary.

## XXI.

*From* JAMES ADAMS, M.D., (Abdn.), L.R.C.S.E., &c.,  
Glasgow, *Author of* "Tubercle of the Brain in  
Children," "On the Detection of Aconite," and  
*numerous contributions to the Medical Papers.*

62 CAMBRIDGE STREET, GLASGOW,  
*July, 1875.*

DEAR DR. BEVERIDGE,—If your promotion to the Professorship now vacant, depended upon sufficient information, and due appreciation of your professional reputation and special fitness, I feel assured that the patrons would gladly avail themselves of a choice which can only very rarely offer. The exceptional advantages you have enjoyed—the persevering energy with which you have availed yourself of these advantages—the lengthened experience you have had in teaching the essential elementary Medical Sciences and latterly the most advanced branches of Practical Medicine—the popularity you have attained in the professional circle, as evidenced by the honourable position to which you have been elevated by the suffrages of your medical brethren—present a combination of qualifications that should secure your appointment, and advance the credit and the interests of the University.

With best wishes,

I am, yours,

JAMES ADAMS.

## XXII.

*From T. M'CALL ANDERSON, M.D., &c., Professor of Clinical Medicine, University of Glasgow, Physician to the Western Infirmary, Glasgow, Author of "Parasitic Affections of the Skin," "Lectures on Clinical Medicine," &c.*

14 WOODSIDE CRESCENT, GLASGOW.

DR. BEVERIDGE has long occupied a prominent position as a teacher in connection with the Aberdeen Medical School, and his experience in that capacity has been as varied as it has been prolonged. Latterly he has devoted himself more particularly to the teaching of Medicine and its allied branch Pathology, and with a success which can be testified to both by colleagues and by pupils.

He is also well-known as a writer upon medical subjects, and has contributed valuable papers to Quain's Dictionary of Medicine and to the Medical Journals.

For these reasons, I am of opinion that he is qualified in an unusual degree to fill the Chair of Medicine in the University of Aberdeen.

T. M'CALL ANDERSON.

## XXIII.

*From* ALEX. CAMPBELL, M.B., C.M. (Abdn.), L.R.C.P. &c.,  
*formerly Surgeon to the Dundee Royal Infirmary, &c.*

140 NETHERGATE, DUNDEE,  
*July 23, 1875.*

It is with much pleasure I bear testimony to the very high professional abilities of my friend, Dr. BEVERIDGE. Having had the pleasure of hearing him lecture to large audiences, I have much admired the power he displayed of fixing their attention, and the clear and simple way of explaining his subject.

Dr. Beveridge has been long looked upon by the students of Aberdeen University as peculiarly well fitted and worthy to fill a Professor's Chair.

I consider him one of the best and most powerful lecturers and teachers of the present day, and the future students will be very fortunate indeed if Dr. Beveridge is appointed Professor of Practice of Medicine.

A. CAMPBELL, M.B., L.R.C.S.E., &c.

## XXIV.

*From* RICHARD QUAIN, M.D., F.R.S., F.S.S., &c., *Member of the General Medical Council, Author of "Fatty Diseases of the Heart," "Diseases of the Muscular Walls of the Heart," &c.*

67 HARLEY STREET, LONDON,  
*July, 1875.*

Although I am not personally acquainted with DR. BEVERIDGE, I have much pleasure in testifying that his name has for many years been favourably known to the profession as an eminent Pathologist and Physician, and as a Lecturer at the Medical School of Aberdeen. His writings on Typhus Fever have especially attracted my attention, and at my request he has contributed an article on that subject to *The Dictionary of Medicine*, now in the press.

I believe that the University of Aberdeen would be very fortunate in the appointment of Dr. Beveridge to the Chair of Practice of Medicine.

RICHARD QUAIN, M.D., F.R.S.

## XXV.

*From* JAMES HOBSON AVELING, M.D., (Abdn.), M.R.C.S. Eng., *Hon. Librarian to the Obstetric Society, London; Editor of the Obstetric Journal; Physician, Chelsea Hospital for Women, &c.*

IT is with the greatest satisfaction I express my opinion of Dr. BEVERIDGE'S professional capabilities and attainments. Nearly thirty years ago I first made his acquaintance, and still vividly impressed upon my mind is the remembrance of the methodic and enthusiastic way in which he sought medical knowledge, and the perspicuous and successful manner he had of imparting what he knew to others.

Since that time Dr. Beveridge has been always a student and continuously a teacher, and I know no one whose antecedents or present professional position renders him more fit to fill the Chair of Medicine in the University with which I am proud to have my name connected.

Endowed with splendid mental capacity and power, Dr. Beveridge has not neglected to make the best use of them. Few possess such encyclopædic knowledge, such a power of practically applying it, or such a happy facility in imparting it. The School of Medicine in Aberdeen cannot but be raised in public estimation by his election.

J. H. AVELING.

1 UPPER WIMPOLE STREET,  
LONDON, W.

## XXVI.

*From* DAVID FERRIER, M.A. (Abdn.), M.D., M.R.C.P.,  
London, *Professor of Forensic Medicine, King's Col-  
lege, London; Assistant Physician, King's College  
Hospital, author of "Experimental Researches in  
Cerebral Physiology and Pathology," "The Localiza-  
tion of Function in the Brain," &c.*

16 UPPER BERKELEY STREET, PORTMAN SQUARE, W.,

*July 10, 1875.*

HAVING been asked by DR. BEVERIDGE to express my opinion as to his qualifications for the Chair of Practice of Medicine in the University of Aberdeen, now vacant, I have pleasure in stating that, though I have not the honour of his personal acquaintance, I have heard much of him and his professional career in Aberdeen. From my intimate connection with Aberdeen, I have good grounds for stating that his professional knowledge, and his qualities as a teacher of Pathology and Clinical Medicine, have earned for him the high esteem and admiration of his pupils. I believe him to be a man of extraordinary ability and versatility, and one thoroughly well qualified to fill the Chair of Practice of Medicine in the University.

DAVID FERRIER, M.D.,  
Professor of Forensic Medicine in King's College.

## XXVII.

*From* CLEMENT GODSON, M.D. (Abdn.), M.R.C.P., Lond.,  
M.R.C.S. Eng.; *Assistant Physician-Accoucheur to St.  
Bartholomew's Hospital; Physician to the Samaritan  
Free Hospital for Women and Children, &c. &c.*

8 UPPER BROOK ST., GROSVENOR SQUARE, W.,  
LONDON, *July 13, 1875.*

I DO not know who may be the Candidates for the Chair of Medicine in the University of Aberdeen, but I am convinced of this, that no man can bring forward such strong claims for it as Dr. BEVERIDGE.

If any words of mine can influence the Electors in his favour, I shall be justly proud.

He is a Physician of extraordinary talent, of original research, and an indefatigable worker. Besides these qualifications, he possesses the power of teaching in a rare degree. The University is fortunate, indeed, in having among its own Graduates, as a Candidate, such a man; and I, having its interests thoroughly at heart, can wish it no greater good fortune than that it should possess Dr. Beveridge as Professor of the Practice of Medicine.

CLEMENT GODSON, M.D., M.R.C.P.,

*Assistant Physician-Accoucheur to St. Bartholomew's  
Hospital; Physician to the Samaritan Free Hos-  
pital for Women and Children, &c. &c.*

## XXVIII.

*From* JAMES F. GOODHART, M.D. (Abdn.), M.R.C.P., *Demonstrator of Morbid Anatomy at Guy's Hospital, Assistant Physician to the Evelina Hospital for Children, and Assistant Pathologist at the Hunterian Museum, Royal College of Surgeons of England, &c.*

32 FINSBURY SQUARE, E.C.,

*15th July, 1875.*

DR. BEVERIDGE being a candidate for the Chair of Medicine at the University of Aberdeen, vacant by the resignation of Dr. Macrobin, it gives me much pleasure to say that I had long formed the opinion that when this vacancy should arise he was the gentleman who would most properly fill it.

The essential qualifications for such an office as the Professorship of Medicine are that its holder shall have beds under his charge as Physician to the Infirmary, and that he shall have had experience in teaching. Both these requirements Dr. Beveridge fulfils to the utmost, since he is Physician to the Royal Infirmary, and has been engaged for a long course of years as a lecturer at that Institution, and at the University, where he is at present one of the Examiners in Medicine.

To ignore such claims, would, I feel, be to cause great loss to the University, since lecturing, while in some measure a gift, is also an art, which can only be acquired

by such long and patient attention as Dr. Beveridge has given to it.

But further than this, Aberdeen with its large school and active minds, requires more of its Professors than mere proficiency in their special department, it requires of them that they shall be tried men of varied culture, and of the scientific bent. Here also Dr. Beveridge is not unknown, for he has worked at, and lectured on, Anatomy, Botany, Histology, and Pathology, both to the good of the school, and the instruction of the town. Indeed I consider that so great are Dr. Beveridge's claims upon the University, and those who may be the advisers of the Crown in this appointment, that it will be very difficult for anyone else to present rival ones of equal merit, and I shall rejoice for the sake of the University, to find that one of such industry and varied ability, has received the recognition which is his due.

JAMES F. GOODHART, M.D.

## XXIX.

*From* GEO. THOMSON, M.D. and C.M., (Abdn.), *Surgeon,*  
*Oldham Infirmary.*

OLDHAM, 9th July, 1875.

DEAR DR. BEVERIDGE,—The filling up of the Chair of Medicine in Aberdeen, is a matter in which, as in all appertaining to Medical Education, I feel a very strong interest. Of your claims to the position, in point of scientific attainments and experience in teaching, there can be no doubt, but I desire, as a former student at your Clinic, to express my convictions as to your qualifications, from the student's point of view.

I have a very vivid recollection of the pleasure with which I listened to your Clinical teaching, a pleasure derived not only from the admirable lucidity and completeness with which you presented your subject-matter, but also from the power with which you seized and held the attention and impressed the minds of your students, a power without which a lecture, however admirable in other respects, is a farce.

Such a teacher as you then proved yourself, needs no other quality to command the affections of his students, but I would nevertheless desire to bear testimony also to the high estimation your personal character was held in by the students of my time. I feel strongly that

there is no other man in Aberdeen whose appointment can possibly be so acceptable to the students, nor so thoroughly to the advantage of the Medical School.

And I remain,

Yours very truly,

GEORGE THOMSON, M.D.,

Surgeon to Oldham Infirmary.

## XXX.

*From* Rev. SAMUEL HAUGHTON, M.D., Trinity College, Dublin; D.C.L. Oxon.; F.R.S., *Author of "Principles of Animal Mechanics"*.

TRINITY COLLEGE, DUBLIN,  
*12th July, 1875.*

DEAR DR. BEVERIDGE,

Having learned that you are a Candidate for the Chair of Practice of Medicine in Aberdeen, I may be permitted to say, from personal knowledge, that I consider you eminently qualified to fill such an office. When visiting Aberdeen in 1869, I was much pleased with your Hospital arrangements, and I have read from time to time your valuable contributions to Medical Science and Public Health, especially in connexion with contagious fevers.

It would afford me sincere pleasure to learn that you were successful in your Candidature.

Believe me to be,

Yours very truly,

SAM. HAUGHTON.

## XXXI.

*From* RAWDON MACNAMARA, M.D., L.K.Q.C.P. Ireland, F.R.C.S.I., *Professor of Materia Medica and Ex-President of the Royal College of Surgeons, Ireland, M.R.I.A., Member of the General Medical Council, Member of the Surgical, Pathological, and Royal Dublin Societies, Hon. Fellow of the Medical Society of Christiania, Surgeon to the Meath Hospital, late Examiner in Materia Medica and Medical Jurisprudence, Queen's University, Ireland, late Lecturer on Materia Medica, Ledwich, Carmichael, and Dublin Schools of Medicine, Editor of "Neligan's Medicines and their Uses," author of various papers on Medical Science.*

95 STEPHEN'S GREEN, DUBLIN,  
9th July, 1875.

MANY years since I had the pleasure of making DR. BEVERIDGE'S personal acquaintance, and at the time was induced to form a high estimate of his professional attainments, and to augur most favourably of his future career. Since then I have had opportunities afforded me, from time to time, of watching his onward professional course, and it affords me great pleasure to be in a position to state that my favourable anticipations in his behalf have not been falsified in the result. His long continued devotion to Anatomical, Histological, and

Pathological studies, coupled with the Clinical experience which he must have acquired whilst acting as one of the Physicians to the Royal Infirmary, Aberdeen, all tend to point him out as one most likely to uphold the high reputation of the Aberdeen Medical School, if successful in his present application for the Chair of Medicine; and if my doing so would not be looked upon as an impertinence, I would most strongly recommend him to the favourable consideration of the Electors.

RAWDON MACNAMARA.

*From the Local Medical Practitioners in Aberdeen and  
its Neighbourhood.*

*We, the undersigned Medical Practitioners, being graduates and alumni of the University of Aberdeen, feel a strong interest in the appointment of a Professor to fill the Chair of Practice of Medicine in that University, and, understanding that Dr. Beveridge is a Candidate for that Chair, we take this opportunity of recommending him as well qualified for the appointment, not only from his tried ability as a lecturer, but also from his high scientific attainments in medicine. On these points we can speak from our personal acquaintance with him, and we believe that his appointment to the Chair would be generally acceptable to the Medical Profession in this part of the country.*

*July, 1875.*

CHARLES ALEXANDER, Nairn, M.D. and C.M. (Abdn.).

ALEXANDER THOMAS ANDERSON, Portsoy, M.D. and  
C.M. (Abdn.).

M. FORBES ANDERSON, Newburgh, Foveran, M.A.  
(Abdn.), M.R.C.S., Eng., late H.E.I.C.S.

JOHN ANDERSON, Monyruy, Longside, M.R.C.S., Eng.  
 JOHN BARCLAY, Banff, M.D. and C.M. (Abdn.), Surgeon,  
 Banff Dispensary.

GEORGE BARTLET, Forgue, M.R.C.S., Eng.

GEORGE W. BEATTIE, Ballater, M.D. and C.M. (Abdn.)

JAMES BOOTH, Aberdeen, M.D. (Abdn.), M.R.C.S., Eng.

JAMES BURR, Aberdeen, L.R.C.P., Ed., L.F.P.S., Glasg.

JAMES CAMERON, Macduff, M.B. and C.M. (Abdn.)

JOHN CAMERON, Kintore, L.R.C.S., Ed.

DUNCAN CARMICHAEL, Buckie, M.D., L.R.C.S., Ed.

STEWARTSON CLARK, Banff, M.D. and C.M. (Abdn.)

JOHN D. COMRIE, Peterhead, L.R.C.S., Ed.

WILLIAM THOMSON CRABBE, Aberdeen, F.R.C.S., Ed.,  
 L.R.C.P., Ed.

ROBERT CRAIG, Glen Urquhart, M.B. (Abdn.).

ALEX. CRAIGMYLE, Aberdeen, M.B. and C.M. (Abdn.).

ALEXANDER CRAN, Kildrummy, M.R.C.S., Eng.

CHAS. M. CROMBIE, Aberdeen, M.B. and C.M. (Abdn.).

GEORGE DUFF, Elgin, A.M. (Abdn.) M.D., L.R.S.E.

ALEX. DUNCAN, Aberdeen, M.A. and M.B. (Abdn.),  
 M.R.C.S., Eng.

G. DUNCAN, Torphins, M.D., L.R.C.S.E.

WM. R. DUGUID, Buckie, A.M., M.B., and C.M. (Abdn.).

JOHN FERGUSON, Cove, Nigg, M.D., M.R.C.S., Eng.

JAMES FETTES, Laurencekirk, L.R.C.S., Ed.

GEORGE FINDLAY, Aberdeen, A.M., M.D., and C.M.  
 (Abdn.).

ALEXANDER FORBES, Aberdeen, M.D. and C.M. (Abdn.)

GEO. FORBES, Fochabers, M.D. (Abdn.), L.R.C.S.E.

- JOHN S. FOWLER, Nairn, M.A., M.D., C.M., (Abdn.).  
GEO. INNES FRASER, Cruden, M.D. and C.M. (Abdn.)  
WM. FRASER, Aberdeen, A.M. (Abdn.), M.R.C.S., Eng.  
WM. ALEX. GAVIN, Strichen, A.M. (Abdn.), M.R.C.S.,  
Eng.  
JAMES T. GEORGE, Keith, M.R.C.S., Eng.  
JOHN GEDDES, Aberdeen, M.D., L.R.C.S., Ed.  
JAS. M. GRANT, Aberdeen, L.F.P.S., Glasgow.  
JOHN GRAY, Aberdeen, L.F.P.S., Glasgow.  
ALEX. C. GRIEVE, Fraserburgh, M.R.C.S., Eng.  
JOHN GRIGOR, Nairn, M.D. (Abdn.), F.R.C.S., Ed.  
PETER GRANT HAY, Aberchirder, Banffshire, M.B.  
and C.M. (Abdn.).  
WILLIAM HALDANE, Braemar, M.B.  
JAMES IRONSIDE, Laurencekirk, M.B. and C.M. (Abdn.).  
CHARLES WM. IRVINE, Udney, M.R.C.S., Eng.  
JOHN IRVINE, Tarves, M.R.C.S., Eng.  
DAVID JOHNSTON, Aberdeen, L.R.C.P., Ed., L.F.P.S.,  
Glas.  
ALEX. D. KEITH, Aboyne, M.B. and C.M. (Abdn.).  
GEORGE S. D. KNOWLES, Fraserburgh, L.R.C.P., Ed.,  
L.F.P.S., Glasgow.  
JAMES LAING, Skene, M.B. (Abdn.), L.R.C.S., Ed.  
NATH. LAWRENCE, Longside, M.R.C.S., Eng.  
NATH. LAWRENCE, Jun., Longside, M.D. and C.M.  
(Abdn.).  
WM. LAWSON, Tarland, M.B. and C.M. (Abdn.).  
WM. BURNUP LESLIE, Stonehaven, M.D. and C.M.  
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