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SCOTTISH MORAL PHILOSOPHY.<sup>1</sup>

IN entering upon the duties of the Chair of Moral Philosophy in this University, I may be permitted to express my sense of the honor of the office, and the satisfaction with which, after a considerable period of work in other lands, I return to the service of my own country and my own University.

The Chair of Moral Philosophy has been filled by a long line of distinguished men : by Adam Ferguson and Dugald Stewart, by Thomas Brown and Christopher North. But it is not of these names that I chiefly think when I wish to realize the honor and the responsibility of the position to which I have been called, but of him who must be in all our thoughts to-day, my own teacher, who so long and so honorably stood in this place. It seems but the other day that I saw Professor Calderwood for the first time in the Moral Philosophy class-room, and it is difficult to realize that he has already passed beyond our sight. I can never forget what I owe to him, and while it is with great diffidence that I venture to take up his work in the University, the memory of his example will be a constant inspiration in my task. It would be impertinent in me to attempt an appreciation of the work of Professor Calderwood as a philosopher, as a teacher, or as a man and a citizen. But no one could know him in these various rela-

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