

# TESTIMONIALS

IN FAVOUR OF

ALEXANDER OGSTON,

M.D., M.C.,

JOINT MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH FOR THE CITY OF ABERDEEN,  
ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF MEDICAL-JURISPRUDENCE IN THE  
UNIVERSITY OF ABERDEEN.



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# TESTIMONIALS.

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*Certificate of Highest Honours, with the Degrees of  
M.B. and M.C.*

UNIVERSITY OF ABERDEEN.

THESE are to certify, that, on occasion of his being admitted, by this University, to the degrees of Bachelor of Medicine, and Master in Surgery, ALEXANDER OGSTON was found entitled to the highest honours.

(Signed) P. C. CAMPBELL,  
Principal and Vice-Chancellor.

(Signed) J. MACROBIN, M.D.,  
Dean of the Medical Faculty; Promoter to the  
Degree of M.B.

(Signed) WM. PIRRIE, C.M., F.R.S.E.,  
Professor of Surgery; Promoter to the Degree of M.C.

Given at the University at Aberdeen, the 17th day of  
April, 1865.

(Signed) JAS. S. BRAZIER,  
Professor of Chemistry; Secretary to the Faculty of  
Medicine.

*From* GEORGE DICKIE, Esq., M.D., *Professor of Botany,  
University of Aberdeen.*

ABERDEEN, *August 26th, 1868.*

DR. A. OGSTON has been known to me for some years, and I have much satisfaction in giving testimony respecting his merits and qualifications.

While a student at our Medical School, he was notable for diligence in the study of the various departments of his profession. Towards the end of his course he studied at Vienna, one of the most famous of European Medical Schools.

I cannot pretend to offer any opinion of his qualifications as an Ophthalmic Surgeon, but I know that he has specially devoted attention to the affections of the eye, and his zeal in this special and most important branch is evident from the fact that since he settled in Aberdeen, he has supported, at his own expense, a Dispensary for Diseases of the Eye. The experience there acquired gives him the strongest claims to the appointment for which he is a candidate.

(Signed)

G. DICKIE, M.D.

*From* WILLIAM PIRRIE, Esq., C.M., M.D., &c., *Professor of  
Surgery in the University of Aberdeen, &c., &c.*

253, UNION STREET, ABERDEEN,  
*August 28th, 1868.*

I HAVE very great pleasure in bearing testimony to Dr.

ALEXANDER OGSTON'S talents and professional acquirements, of which I had the most ample opportunities of forming a just appreciation, during his apprenticeship to myself, and his career as a student at this University.

Dr. ALEXANDER OGSTON commenced his medical education at the University of Aberdeen, where he was one of the most distinguished students of his years, and where he gained the highest honours, both in Medicine and Surgery, when he passed his examinations for his professional degrees.

Dr. ALEXANDER OGSTON subsequently visited the chief medical schools of this and other countries, and studied for a more lengthened period at the Universities of Berlin and Vienna, where he more particularly devoted himself to Ophthalmic Medicine and Surgery, under some of the greatest authorities of the day in that special department. The knowledge and experience he acquired at these schools he has had ample opportunities of enlarging and correcting, both in private practice, and also at his Dispensary for Ophthalmic Diseases, where many have availed themselves of his skill, and afforded him the means of obtaining a thorough dexterity in the performance of the various operations devolving on the Ophthalmic Surgeon.

Considering Dr. ALEXANDER OGSTON'S high abilities, his extended and liberal education, his natural turn and aptitude for surgery, and the experience he has already acquired in the medical and surgical treatment of Ophthalmic Diseases, I am quite sure he is well qualified for the office for which he is now a candidate, and that he would be a great acquisition to the staff of this Hospital.

(Signed) . . . WILLIAM PIRRIE.

*From HENRY D. LITTLEJOHN, Esq., M.D., F.R.C.S., Lecturer on Medical Jurisprudence, Surgeon's Hall; Medical Officer of Health for Edinburgh; and Examiner on Medical Jurisprudence at the University of St. Andrews.*

24, ROYAL CIRCUS, EDINBURGH,  
20th August, 1868,

FROM the reputation of Dr. ALEXANDER OGSTON, from my intercourse with him, and my acquaintance with his writings, I have been led to argue for him a distinguished career as a practitioner of the healing art.

Dr. OGSTON has paid special attention to diseases of the eyes, and has enjoyed, what few can boast of, the advantage of having studied under the first oculists of Europe.

Equipped as he is, I am of opinion that he is well qualified for the post of Surgeon to the Royal Infirmary, Aberdeen.

(Signed) HENRY D. LITTLEJOHN, M.D.

*From WILLIAM STOKES, Esq., M.D., Surgeon to the Richmond Surgical Hospital; late Surgeon to the Meath Hospital, and Co. Dublin Infirmary; Lecturer on Surgery, Carmichael School of Medicine, &c.*

3, CLARE STREET, MERRION SQUARE,  
DUBLIN, August 25th, 1868.

I FEEL great pleasure in bearing testimony to the high professional character and attainments of Dr. ALEXANDER OGSTON, with whom I have been acquainted many years.

In the Vienna and Berlin schools of Medicine, where

I was fortunate enough to make Dr. OGSTON'S acquaintance, I had ample opportunities of forming a just estimate of his professional acquirements, which are very high indeed, and also of his great moral worth and honourable character, which have ensured him the respect and esteem of all who know him.

Dr. OGSTON devoted special attention to Ophthalmic Surgery in the clinique of the justly renowned Ophthalmist, Professor Von Graefe, of Berlin. From my knowledge of Dr. OGSTON, I feel satisfied that he is eminently qualified to fill any medical appointment, and discharge its duties with the utmost efficiency.

(Signed)                      WILLIAM STOKES, M.D.

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*From JOHN STRUTHERS, Esq., M.D., Professor of Anatomy to  
the University of Aberdeen, &c., &c.*

UNIVERSITY OF ABERDEEN,  
*August 28th, 1868.*

MY DEAR SIR,—I have much pleasure in complying with your request for a Testimonial as to your fitness for the appointment to the Ophthalmic Wards of the Royal Infirmary.

Although I did not know you as a pupil, your education having been completed before I was connected with this University, I have heard you highly spoken of in that capacity, and you afterwards enjoyed the advantage of seeing the practice of Foreign Schools. Since settling in Aberdeen, besides gaining experience in general practice, under the guidance of your much esteemed father,

you have given particular attention to Diseases of the Eye, you have occupied the position of University Assistant, and you have, in my hearing, read and discussed communications at the meetings of our Medico-Chirurgical Society.

Having enjoyed these varied advantages of education, and of subsequent experience, it should be unnecessary for me to add that you are well qualified to undertake the responsibilities of the position for which you are now a candidate ; and I feel assured that the managers may rely on your zealous and efficient discharge of the duties.

I am, yours very truly,

(Signed)

JOHN STRUTHERS.

Dr. ALEXANDER OGSTON, Aberdeen.

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*From DAVID DYCE BROWN, Esq., M.D., Medical Officer to the General Dispensary ; Medical Officer to the County Prison ; Assistant Professor of Materia Medica, University of Aberdeen ; and Fellow of the Obstetrical Society of London.*

22, UNION PLACE, ABERDEEN, August 28th, 1868.

HAVING been informed by Dr. ALEXANDER OGSTON that he is a candidate for the appointment of Ophthalmic Surgeon to the Royal Infirmary of Aberdeen, vacant by the resignation of Dr. Wolfe, I have great pleasure in stating my opinion as to his qualifications for this post. I have had considerable opportunities of observing Dr. OGSTON'S practice as an Ophthalmic Surgeon, in the way of giving chloroform at some of his operations, and also



in cases of my own in which he met me in consultation. I have been led in consequence to form a very high opinion of his talents and capabilities in this department of surgery. I know that he has devoted special attention to diseases of the eye, which has resulted in an intimate knowledge both of the literature and practice of his subject. This, added to his dexterity and neatness as an operator, cannot fail to ensure him success. Should the managers of the Hospital appoint Dr. OGSTON to fill the present vacancy, they will, in so doing, I feel convinced, add to the reputation of the charity, and promote the best interests of the patients.

(Signed) D. DYCE BROWN, M.A., M.D.

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*From* PROFESSOR ALFRED VON GRAEFE, *Professor of Ophthalmology in the University of Berlin, &c. &c.*

*Den 1ten Juli 1864. BERLIN.*

Es wird hiemit bestätigt, dass Herr ALEXANDER OGSTON aus Aberdeen Schottland, während des Sommer-Semesters 1864, meine Klinik regelmässig frequentirt habe.

(Signed) PROF. A. V. GRAEFE.

*Translation of the above:—*

*1st July 1868. BERLIN.*

I HEREBY certify, that Mr. ALEXANDER OGSTON of Aberdeen, Scotland, regularly attended my clinic during the summer session of the year 1864.

(Signed) PROF. A. VON GRAEFE.

*From* RUDOLF VIRCHOW, *Professor of Pathology to the University of Berlin, &c., &c.*

PATHOLOGISCHES INSTITUT, BERLIN.

ZEUGNISS.

HERR OGSTON aus England, hat während des eben ablaufenden Sommer-Semesters meinen praktischen Cursus der Pathologischen Histologie mit Eifer besucht, und durch eigene sorgsame Arbeiten mit dem Microscop, mit der erforderlichen Sicherheit in der Präparation und Bereitung histologischer Gegenstände die Pathologie zu erwerben gesucht. Somit wird ihm hierdurch der Wahrheit gemäss bezeugt.

(Signed) RUD. VIRCHOW, M.D., Ph.D.,  
Professor der Pathologie und Direktor des Pathologischen  
Instituts, R.V.

BERLIN, am 14ten Juli, 1864.

*Translation of the above :—*

PATHOLOGICAL INSTITUTE, BERLIN.

CERTIFICATE.

MR. OGSTON of England has, during the summer session, which is just ending, zealously attended my practical course of Pathological Histology, and striven to acquire (a knowledge of) Pathology by his own careful researches with the microscope, along with the necessary certainty (precision) in preparation and management of pathological specimens.

According to the truth it is hereby testified to him.

(Signed) RUDOLF VIRCHOW.  
Professor of Pathology and  
Director of the Pathological Institute, R.V.

BERLIN, 14th July, 1864.

*From Professor VON JAEGER, Jun., Doctor of Medicine and Surgery, Physician to the General Hospital of Vienna, &c.*

GEFERTIGTER bestätigt hiemit dass Herr ALEXANDER OGSTON, aus Aberdeen in Schottland, seinen theoretisch-praktischen Cours über die Anwendung des Augenspiegels während des Winter-Semesters 186 $\frac{3}{4}$  frequentirt habe.

(Signed) PROF. VON. JAEGER,  
k. k. Primararzt, &c., &c., Wien den 1 $\frac{7}{3}$  64.

*Translation of the above:—*

I HEREBY certify that Mr. Alexander Ogston, of Aberdeen, in Scotland, has attended his (sic) theoretical-practical course concerning the management of the Ophthalmoscope during the Winter-Session of the year 1863-4.

(Signed) PROF. VON. JAEGER,  
Imperial Royal Physician, &c. &c.

VIENNA, 1 $\frac{7}{3}$ , 64.

*From Professor OPPOLZER, Physician and Clinical Lecturer to the General Hospital of Vienna, &c., &c.*

DER Unterzeichnete bestätigt, dass Herr ALEXANDER OGSTON, aus Aberdeen, in Schottland, die medicinische Klinik vom Oktober 1863 bis März 1864, sehr fleissig besucht hat.

(Signed) OPPOLZER.

WIEN, am 17 März, 1864.

*Translation of the above :—*

THE undersigned certifies that Mr. ALEXANDER OGSTON, of Aberdeen, in Scotland, has very diligently attended the Medical Clinic from October, 1863, to March, 1864.

(Signed)            OPPOLZER.

VIENNA, 17th March, 1864.

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*From Professor BRÜCKE, Professor of Physiology and Advanced Anatomy at the University of Vienna.*

ZEUGNISS.

Herr ALEXANDER OGSTON aus Aberdeen hat im Wintersemester 186 $\frac{3}{4}$ , meine Vorlesungen über Physiologie und mikroskopische Anatomie als eingeschriebener Hörer, fleissig und ordnungsmässig besucht.

(Signed)

E. BRÜCKE,

Professor der Physiologie und höheren Anatomie  
an der Wiener Universität.

WIEN, am 16ten März, 1864.

*Translation of the above :—*

CERTIFICATE.

Mr. ALEXANDER OGSTON of Aberdeen has regularly, according to rule, and as an enrolled student,

attended my lectures on Physiology and Microscopic Anatomy, during the winter session of 1863-4.

(Signed)

E. BRÜCKE,

Professor of Physiology and Advanced Anatomy at the University of Vienna.

VIENNA, 16th March, 1864.

*From Professor ROKITANSKY, Professor of Pathology at the University of Vienna, &c.*

HERR ALEXANDER OGSTON aus Aberdeen in Schottland, hat meine Vorträge über allgemein-pathologische Anatomie, and über Herz-und Gefäss-krankheiten im Wintersemester 1863-64 besucht.

(Signed)

ROKITANSKY,  
Professor.

WIEN, am 15 März, 1864.

*Translation of the above :—*

MR. ALEXANDER OGSTON of Aberdeen, Scotland, has attended my lectures on General Pathological Anatomy, and Diseases of the Heart and Blood-vessels, during the winter session 1863-4.

(Signed)

ROKITANSKY,  
Professor.

VIENNA, 16th March, 1864.

*From Professor SIGMUND, Professor in the University of  
Vienna, &c. &c.*

ZEUGNISS.

HERR ALEXANDER OGSTON, Candidat der  
Medicin für den Doctor-Grad, aus Aberdeen (Schott-  
land), hat, in dem I Semester 1863-4, den Vorträgen  
über Erkenntniss und Behandlung der Syphilis in der  
Klinik für Syphilis mit ausgezeichnetem Fleisse beige-  
wohnt.

Wien, im k. k. allgem. Krankenhause, den 14, März,  
1864.

(Signed) PROF. SIGMUND.

*From Professor HEBRA, Professor of Skin Diseases in the  
University of Vienna.*

DER Gefertigte bestätigt hiemit dass Herr Med. ALEX-  
ANDER OGSTON aus Aberdeen in Schottland, zu den  
Vorlesungen über Hautkrankheiten ordnungsmässig  
inscribirt worden sei, und dieselben vom 26 October  
frequentirt habe.

(Signed) HEBRA.

WIEN, den 12 März, 1864.

*Translation of the above :—*

I HEREBY certify that Mr. ALEXANDER OGSTON of Aber-  
deen, in Scotland, has been regularly enrolled to the  
lectures on Skin Diseases, and has attended the same  
since the 26th October.

(Signed) HEBRA.

VIENNA, 12th March, 1864.

*From the late Dr. LUDWIG TÜRCK, Extraordinary Professor  
at the University of Vienna, &c. &c.*

Es wird hiemit bestätigt, dass Herr ALEXANDER OGSTON aus Aberdeen meinen vom Untergezeichneten im Wintersemester 1863 auf 1864 über Laryngoscopie und Rhinoscopie sowie über Kehlkopfkrankheiten abgehaltenen praktischen Kurs frequentirt hat.

(Signed) LUDWIG TÜRCK,

A. O. Professor und Primararzt im allgem. Krankenhause.

WIEN, am 16 März, 1864.

*Translation of the above:—*

THE undersigned hereby certifies that Mr. ALEXANDER OGSTON of Aberdeen attended my practical course on Laryngoscopy and Rhinoscopy, as well as on Diseases of the Larynx, which was held during the Winter Session of 1863 and 1864.

(Signed) LUDWIG TÜRCK,

Extraordinary Professor and Physician to the  
General Hospital.

VIENNA, 16th March, 1864.

*From ROBERT DYCE, Esq., M.D., F.R.S.E., Professor of Midwifery in the University of Aberdeen; Consulting Physician, Royal Infirmary.*

ABERDEEN, 28th August, 1868.

I HAVE the greatest pleasure in having the opportunity afforded me of expressing my conscientious opinion as to the general and professional qualifications of Dr. ALEX. OGSTON, for of those I have formed a very high estimate.

He had the advantage of an excellent preliminary education ; and under the guidance and assistance of his esteemed father, he enjoyed a more extensive and intimate knowledge of his profession than is generally experienced by men of his own years. The zeal, assiduity, and perseverance he displayed through his whole career, in acquiring a thorough knowledge of his profession in all its departments, has been unceasing, the best proof of which was his obtaining his degree as M.D. and M.C. with the highest academical honours, a distinction not usually obtained.

Before settling in Aberdeen, Dr. OGSTON for several months successively prosecuted his studies in Vienna and Berlin under the most distinguished professors in these schools ; there he more especially directed his attention to Diseases of the Eye, thereby obtaining a sound and practical acquaintance with the subject, especially in the operative department ; and I am confident, from the success he has attained since establishing his Eye Dispensary here, that he will prove a most valuable and competent surgeon to an Eye Hospital.

I beg also to add that his character is that of a gentleman, with a kindness of feeling and manner which must constitute him a great acquisition to the staff of any hospital.

(Signed)                      Ro. DYCE, M.D., F.R.S.E.

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*From* ROBERT RATTRAY, Esq., M.D., &c. &c., *Resident*  
*Physician to the Aberdeen Royal Infirmary.*

ROYAL INFIRMARY,  
 ABERDEEN, 26th Aug., 1868.

It gives me much pleasure to state that I have known Dr. ALEX. OGSTON since the time he commenced his



medical studies at this Hospital. In the course of his attendance here, he was for some time my assistant in the Laboratory, when I had every reason to be pleased with the care and accuracy which he bestowed on the duties entrusted to him by me, and, at the same time, I had ample opportunity of observing the zeal and diligence with which he prosecuted the other branches of his professional study.

Dr. OGSTON has enjoyed peculiar advantages for acquiring a knowledge of his profession ; his education has been complete and carefully directed ; besides his having gone through the regular course of study necessary for obtaining the University Degrees here, he has had the benefit of instruction at some of the best schools of medicine on the Continent.

I am therefore of opinion that, in point of education and the advantages he has had since he left the schools, of being much engaged in medical practice, Dr. OGSTON is well qualified to undertake the duties of any medical appointment, and that his intelligence, zeal, and kindly disposition, will fully entitle him to the confidence of his patrons.

(Signed)                      ROBERT RATTRAY, M.D.

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*From* ALEXANDER SILVER, Esq., M.D., M.R.C.S., *Assistant Physician to Charing Cross Hospital, and Lecturer in the Charing Cross and London Hospital Schools of Medicine.*

LONDON, 29th August, 1868.

IT is with much pleasure I bear testimony to the high qualifications of Dr. A. OGSTON for the post of Ophthalmic Surgeon to the Royal Infirmary, Aberdeen. I need say

nothing of his general capacity or qualifications, these are sufficiently well known in Aberdeen ; but of those specially relating to Ophthalmology, I may be allowed to say that I esteem them of the highest order. When in practice in Aberdeen, I have repeatedly had recourse to his assistance in eye-cases, and never failed to find his services of the highest value, both to the patient and to myself. To speak of his training, I know that he studied under the most renowned masters on the Continent, Jaeger and Von Graefe, that he is familiar with their works, as well as those of Stellwag Von Carion, Arlt, Donders, and Liebreich, to say nothing of others, both at home and abroad, and that he is a thorough master of the Ophthalmoscope, an instrument now-a-days all-important, both in Ophthalmic and in general practice. In short, I may say, with a confidence founded on a tolerably extensive knowledge, that there is no one in the North of Scotland so well fitted to fill the post now rendered vacant by the resignation of Dr. Wolfe.

(Signed) ALEXANDER SILVER, M.D., M.R.C.S.





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Part Second.



# TESTIMONIALS.

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*From* JAMES S. BRAZIER, Esq., F.C.S., *Professor of Chemistry*  
*in the University of Aberdeen, &c.*

UNIVERSITY OF ABERDEEN, *September 1st, 1868.*

I HAVE much pleasure in complying with the wishes of Dr. ALEXANDER OGSTON respecting a testimonial.

Dr. OGSTON graduated as an M.B. and C.M., with "Highest Academical Honours," at this University in April, 1865.

As a Student of Medicine, he had previously attended the Course of Theoretical Chemistry, under my instruction, during the Winter Session of 1860-61, and again in 1861-62, and Courses of Practical Exercises during the Summer Sessions of 1861 and 1862.

While under me as a Student, I found him at all times diligent, attentive, and painstaking, and was perfectly satisfied with the progress he had made. The success that attended his Study of Chemistry earned for him a high position, entitling him to one of the Prizes that were given at the termination of Session 1860-61.

Since the conclusion of his studies, I have had frequent opportunities, when engaged with him in the Medical Jurisprudence Laboratory, of noticing his skill and aptitude for Chemical research.

Besides being very gentlemanlike in his conduct and manner, he appears thoroughly devoted to his Profession, and I have always heard him spoken of by my colleagues as a man of ability and high special qualifications.

(Signed) JAS. S. BRAZIER,  
Professor of Chemistry.

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*From* JAMES RUTHERFORD, Esq., M.D., F.R.C.P.E., *Translator of "Griesinger on Mental Diseases" for the New Sydenham Society, and Medical Superintendent of the Borough Lunatic Asylum, Birmingham, &c.*

BOROUGH LUNATIC ASYLUM, BIRMINGHAM,  
*August 29th, 1868.*

I HAVE much pleasure in stating that Dr. ALEXANDER OGSTON has been known to me for several years, and I have formed a high opinion of his professional ability.

Our acquaintance began on the Continent, in some of the capitals of which he was pursuing the further study of his profession generally, and of Ophthalmic Surgery in particular. To this branch he gave much attention, and devoted every care and zeal to improve the great opportunities which are there afforded. Since then he has continued to make this branch his special study, and I can with every confidence recommend him as a gentleman eminently qualified for the post of Ophthalmic Surgeon to the Royal Infirmary of Aberdeen.

(Signed) JAMES RUTHERFORD,  
M.D., F.R.C.P.E., &c.



*From JOHN ROBERT McCLINTOCK, Esq., M.D., M.C., Physician to "The Grove" and Stretton House Asylums, and formerly Assistant Professor in the University of Aberdeen, &c.*

CHURCH STRETTON, SALOP, 29th Aug., 1868.

IT gives me very sincere pleasure to bear testimony to the professional qualifications of my friend Dr. ALEX. OGSTON of Aberdeen.

I have been intimately acquainted with him for many years, and have had many opportunities of judging of his professional qualifications; and I can say, with confidence, that I consider him highly qualified for the office of Ophthalmic Surgeon, which he is at present desirous of obtaining.

(Signed) J. R. McCLINTOCK, M.D., &c.

*From GEORGE OGILVIE, Esq., M.D., Professor of Physiology in the University of Aberdeen, &c.*

UNIVERSITY OF ABERDEEN, August 31st, 1868.

IN regard to Dr. A. OGSTON's attainments in the study of medicine, during his attendance some years ago on our classes, I feel that his distinguished appearance in the graduation examinations makes it needless for me to add any remarks of my own; but I have much pleasure in bearing testimony to the assiduity and success with which he applied himself to the subjects coming especially under my notice; and from the constancy



*From J. W. F. SMITH, Esq., M.D., &c., Physician and  
Clinical Lecturer to the Royal Infirmary of Aberdeen.*

13, UNION PLACE, ABERDEEN,  
5th September, 1868.

I HAVE much pleasure in testifying to Dr. ALEXANDER OGSTON'S qualifications for the practice of his profession.

I have known him intimately for the last three years, having previously met him professionally and otherwise, and I can state that it has been his intention, ever since he commenced his medical career, to devote himself more especially to the practice of Surgery. With this end in view, he visited the schools of Berlin and Vienna, in order to gain larger experience both of Ophthalmic and General Surgery.

I consider that Dr. OGSTON'S natural talents and high professional training, as well as his gentlemanly manner and kindly disposition, eminently fit him for the duties of any medical appointment, and I am certain that he will give every satisfaction to the Directors of any public institution who may elect him as their Medical Officer.

(Signed) J. W. F. SMITH, M.D.

*From THOMAS THOMSON, Esq., M.D., Inverurie.*

HAVING known Dr. ALEXANDER OGSTON all his life, and had many opportunities of forming an opinion of his abilities, and of his general character and conduct, and also of his professional qualifications, it affords me the greatest pleasure to bear testimony to his eminent fitness

for the situation of Ophthalmic Surgeon to the Aberdeen Royal Infirmary and Eye Institution, for which he is at present a candidate.

I have the more pleasure in recommending him for the situation to which he now aspires, feeling, as I do, that, from his high professional character and attainments, he would be a great acquisition to the staff of any Hospital.

INVERURIE, 4th September, 1868.

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*From* JOHN BARCLAY, Esq., M.D., &c., *formerly Assistant Professor in the University of Aberdeen.*

BANFF, 1, OLD CASTLE GATE.

September 7th, 1868.

I HAVE much pleasure in bearing testimony to the high qualifications of Dr. ALEXANDER OGSTON. From the great advantages which he has enjoyed of studying Eye Diseases, and seeing the most improved methods of treatment and operation under Von Graefe; and from the zeal and enthusiasm with which he has since made use of the knowledge thus acquired, I am sure that he would most ably fill the appointment for which he is a candidate.

(Signed) JOHN BARCLAY, M.D., &c.

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*From* Dr. JOSEPH MASCHKA, *Professor of Legal Medicine in the University of Prague, &c. &c.*

Ueber Ersuchen des Herrn Dr. ALEXANDER OGSTON aus

Aberdeen bestätige ich, dass derselbe während seines mehrmonatlichen Aufenthaltes im Jahre 1863, zu Prag, sich meines Wissens ausschliesslich mit medicinischen Studien befasste, sämmtliche Kliniken, besonders jene für Augenkranken, häufig und fleissig besuchte, und sich vorzugsweise mit grosser Vorliebe der Ophthalmologie zuwandte.

(Signed) DR. JOS. MASCHKA,  
ord. öff. Professor der Medicin.

PRAG, 7 *September*, 1868.

*Translation of the above :—*

AT the request of Dr. ALEXANDER OGSTON of Aberdeen, I certify that he, during several months' residence in Prague, in the year 1863, occupied himself to my knowledge exclusively with medical studies, attended the various Clinics, especially that devoted to Eye Diseases, and directed his attention chiefly, with great predilection, to Ophthalmology.

(Signed) DR. JOSEPH MASCHKA,  
Professor of Medicine.

PRAGUE, 7th *September*, 1868.

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*From* ALEX. J. MANSON, Esq., M.D., *Banff*, Surgeon to the  
*Banff Infirmary, &c.*

HAVING been informed that Dr. ALEXANDER OGSTON is a candidate for the office of Ophthalmic Surgeon to the Royal Infirmary of Aberdeen, about to become vacant by the resignation of Dr. Wolfe, I have much pleasure

in stating that I consider him a man of great natural abilities, that he has acquired a thorough knowledge of his profession in all its branches ; and that, from the zeal with which he has applied himself to the Study of the Diseases of the Eye in the best schools of Ophthalmic Surgery in Europe, he is peculiarly well fitted to fill that important situation with credit to himself and advantage to the Aberdeen School of Medicine.

(Signed) A. J. MANSON, M.D.

BANFF, 10th September, 1868.

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*From HEINRICK STANIEK, Med. Dr. and Member of the Medical Faculty of Vienna.*

Ueber Ansuchen des Hr. AL. OGSTON, M. Dr. aus Aberdeen, der mit dem Gefertigten, während seines hiesigen Aufenthaltes an der Universität, Wien, einen regen Verkehr unterhielt, beehre ich mich hiemit, bestens zu bestätigen dass Herr Dr. AL. OGSTON sich fleissig und eingehend mit medicinischen, insbesondere aber chirurgischen Studien beschäftigte—sein vornehmlichstes Augenmerk aber den hiesigen Kliniken für Augenheilkunde zuwendete.

Der Gefertigte ergriff um so lieber den Anlass zu diesem Zeugnisse, als er die Gelegenheit hatte die Erfolge dieser Studien, insbesondere auf letztem Felde, in diagnostisch-therapeutischer, sowie in operativer Richtung, zu verfolgen und zu constatiren.

(Signed) MED. DR. H. STANIEK,  
Pract. Arzt. & Mitglied der med. Facultät zu Wien.

WEIN, 7 September, 1868.

*Translation of preceding Testimonial :—*

AT the request of Dr. ALEXANDER OGSTON of Aberdeen, who, during his attendance on the University of Vienna, kept up an intimate acquaintance with me, I have the honour hereby to certify that Dr. OGSTON occupied himself diligently and closely with medical, and particularly surgical studies, directing his chief attention to the Clinics for Ophthalmology in this place.

I embrace the more willingly the occasion he has afforded me of giving him this certificate, since I had the opportunity of following and ascertaining the results of his studies, especially in Ophthalmology, as regards diagnosis therapeutics, and chiefly in the operative department.

(Signed) MED. DR. H. STANIEK, &c.

VIENNA, 7th September, 1868.

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