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By Dr. W. W. CAMPBELL

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Members of the National Academy and esteemed
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WITH one exception the several speakers of this evening will be formally introduced, and you will observe that their addresses fit into a logical plan. It will make me feel better if I exercise the privilege of telling you that I, as the one exception, am making an address at the request of the academy's council, and not upon my own initiative.

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