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Having been asked by
Mr Fawcett to express my
opinion respecting his qualifications
for the office of Professor of
Political Economy, I have
no hesitation in saying that
I think them of a very high
order. Mr Fawcett, "Manual
of Political Economy," a

book to which justice is
hardly done by so unambitious
a title, shews a really
scientific knowledge of the
subject, both in its principles
and in their applications;
the exposition is clear and precise,
and many of the illustrations
of the more difficult points
are original, and go into the
heart of the subject. The
objection which might possibly

have arisen from Mr Fawcett's
inability to read his lectures,
is obviated by his great practice
and readiness in extemporaneous
speaking. Altogether I think
that the selection of Mr Fawcett
to fill the Chair of Political
Economy in the University of
Cambridge would be creditable
to the University, and beneficial
to the purposes of the Professorship.
J. Stuart Mill
May 17. 1863.