

THE CHINESE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG  
The Conferment of the Degree of  
Doctor of Laws, honoris causa, on 9th September, 1964

CITATION

Sir John Scott Fulton, Kt.

Though an Oxford Don, firmly rooted in the traditional disciplines of logic and philosophy, Sir John Fulton has been notably in the forefront of what has been called Britain's educational revolution, designed to offer broader university opportunity to more of the young men and women of the United Kingdom. In the process he has created a new university, the University of Sussex, which he now serves as its distinguished Vice-Chancellor. If his role at the University of Sussex can be described as paternal, then here at our University it has been avuncular; certainly no uncle could have given more time or wiser guidance. He took a month out of his extremely busy schedule to visit Hong Kong in October 1959 to advise the Post-Secondary Grant Colleges on their development, summing up his views in an admirable report. Again in 1962 he chaired the Commission that bears his name. He and the other members investigated our three Colleges that summer and declared them ready for university status. More than anyone else he contributed to the Commission's impressive report, outlining the framework of the University, its purposes and potential, and providing us with a draft constitution so thorough in its preparation that it was adopted almost precisely as it had been written. Further, through all these years he has never failed to answer our request for advice and counsel though the imposition on his time has been a heavy one. And so the Chinese University, in recognition of the great assistance given to it by Sir John, now confers upon Sir John Fulton the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws.