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LECTURE ON WASTE.

IT WOULD not be in accordance with your feelings or my own, were I to commence the business of this evening without making reference to the great loss which this Institution has so recently sustained in the death of our venerated President, the MARQUIS OF LANSDOWNE. That event has cast a shade over far wider spheres than this. The gloom has been felt in the Senate, and in her Majesty's Council, and it has spread over the whole nation; but it is not wonderful that the loss should be specially felt in an Institution which has for so many years derived honour and encouragement from the prestige of that illustrious name. I am not so presumptuous as to think of attempting to pronounce LORD LANSDOWNE'S eulogy, though I