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CLOSING REMARKS

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[The following remarks of Professor CAMPBELL, at the close of his series of Law Lectures for the present year, having been unanimously requested by the class for publication, were kindly furnished by him. Being extempore, and prompted solely by the feelings and emotions of the hour, it is the wish of those who heard those words of counsel and farewell to publish them, *verbatim*, as delivered.]

I HAVE now concluded all that I have to offer you on the subjects allotted to me. But I do not feel that I can take leave of those with whose faces I have been familiar so long, and with whom my intercourse has been very pleasant and satisfactory, without some words of parting esteem, and, if you please, of counsel. I do not propose to offer you advice now upon your conduct; for, in common with my associates, I have recognized you always as men of sufficient age to govern your own conduct—of formed character, and standing on the same footing with ourselves.

In performing my duties in this place I have seen and recognized you as associates in the same pursuit of a knowledge of the law, and have sought to aid you in following your studies with the feeling that we were engaged in a common work, and fellow laborers in the same honorable vocation. And as these times of separation come, and those with whom we are united go forth from among us to their own ways, they awake feelings I cannot attempt to express. I am not sure that I can make you comprehend in what way they move us.

But among our thoughts the question will arise, To what end have we been spending this long period in searching out and studying

