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LIFE'S SWEETEST ASSOCIATIONS ARE OUTSIDE THE REALM OF PHYSIOLOGIC SENSE ; ARE WITH THE GOOD THINGS WE PERCEIVE IN NATURE AND IN MAN. AS WE LEARN TO SEE AND TO LOVE THE GLORIES OF NATURE, SO WE LEARN TO SEE AND TO LOVE THOSE QUALITIES IN MAN WHICH MARK THE GOOD WITHIN—THOSE QUALITIES WHICH CONSTITUTE THE PART THAT IS TO BE ETERNAL. THE EXISTENCE OF SUCH QUALITIES IS THE BASIS OF FRIENDSHIP—THE EXCHANGE OF APPRECIATION, THE CEMENT OF FRIENDSHIP

THE PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS



GENTLEMEN and fellows in heart, this meeting signals our silver anniversary; with it we round out a quarter of a Century of growing good fellowship—of mutual understanding and helpfulness.

Of ourselves, as we know each other, each has his own adduction, his own gravitational force that draws and holds the others to him; each his own light that designates him from the rest.

We were from the first a systemic unit in feeling, and in loyalty to each other—a unit of harmony in a seething, tumultuous city—a quiet, unobtrusive company that never aimed at corporate influence, was indeed never known as a body (though parenthetically it may be said, *sotto-voce*, that “the Twenty-second Street crowd” was at one time held responsible for a succession of nominations and elections of presidents of a prominent Medical Society).

Each member has his own lines of force, and we have good reason to be proud of the useful activities of all.

We have collectively among us many phases of mind and character that enhance the others, and forms of appreciation and of activity that stimulate the others. We both knowingly and unconsciously support and encourage each other — we draw strength and inspiration from each other. All the good that each of us possesses is given freely to the others — reciprocity of service and good will.

The original group that founded our club has been both enlarged and shorn.

Time and fate have taken three members from us, one by earthly circumstance, our light-hearted brother, now a wanderer, and two, by the relentless hand of Death, have been carried beyond return: Randolph of charming, facile wit and elegance of manner, our matchless raconteur, and Purdy of punctilious dignity — of technical precision, with a nice appreciation of engraved portraiture, whose warmth of feeling was as the pearl, to be sought in the depths, and when found prized.

Fortune has kindly saved for us all the others—and we see with us now, as they pass by in friendly review, those qualities and characteristics we have learned to love and admire in each.

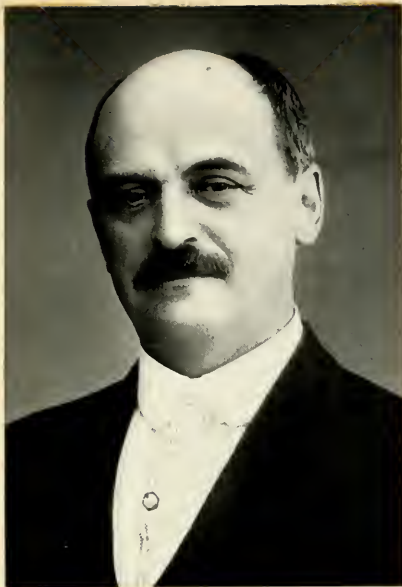




IN one: We see a broad, practical, sturdy mind, keen insight, ready judgment, the determined will of premeditated success; one whose abilities and strength have been freely given to the advancement of his profession, and to the purification and improvement of his state; one whose tender warmth of friendship has made him dear to those who know him best.



IN another: Kindness of manner, farsighted intuition, the convincing persuasiveness and pragmatic reasonableness of the manager of men, who aims at results with no thought of self.



AND again: We welcome a spirit of dominant earnestness, warmth of heart, fineness of feeling, acuteness of perception, strength of character, and an enfolding generosity that includes us all in its warm embrace, while he infuses us with his enthusiasm and his gaiety.



AND gliding in upon us like the dawn of a June day, we feel the gentle effulgence of quiet and peace and culture—the presence of a well stored mind, and a soul whose influence is for good; an example to us all of patience and serenity, of refinement and self-control.



AND following: Is our lovable, whole-hearted Teuton, whose genial ways, and personal attractiveness, and charm of manner, and splendid mental gifts and acquisitions, secure for him our love and respect.



CLOSE in wake is a quiet, appreciative soul, loving all things delectable; a placid, moral force that stands for the conservation of right, and helps to keep the balance of justice even.



IN turn, too, comes the spirit of optimism in our cheery member of enviable manners, serene, appreciative and benign, of never failing good humor, and good will toward every man.



AND then comes earnestness and skill, learning, judgment, in one by nature richly endowed with an instinctive gentleness, with bubbling fun, and a charming manner.





IN another: We see penetration of mind that lays bare the conflicting things of life, opens up to us the humor and the pathos of events, the truth and the shams. He has shown us the workings of his buoyant mind, that refuses to be burdened with sorrows, but turns light upon the humorous findings in the tragedies of life. The world smiles with him, when with another it would sigh.



WITH us, too, we see comprehensive mental vision, and dominant purpose nobly directed, guided by splendid judgment, a keen reading of character and of the signs of events, and an overmastering sense of justice. His splendid qualities, coupled with an iron frame to carry the burden of all that the mind devises, are freely given to useful public service, and suffusing all, a warmth of feeling and delicacy of sense that insures the highest uses of his gifts.



WE rejoice also in another man of action : hearty, wholesome, virile, prompt and efficient, cheery and thoughtful in turn, open-minded and warm-hearted, infusing energy into all things and all men.



AND another: Deep steeped in kindness and sweetness, whose patience with us all is one warrant to us of his ardent good will, for which our deep appreciation is, I fear, scant return.



AND still another: Dear to us of old, one of marked mental poise and original mind, ardent in sport, an irresistible dialectician - - of amiable joviality, bringing cheer wherever he comes.



IN the next we see imperturbability, richness of mind, ingenuity, skill and a confidence born of experience; sphynx-like silence, but on occasion a ready, facile tongue, and a deep appreciation of all things good -- a love of the water and the woods, those solitudes so suited to his silent moods.



AND still we have others: One of quiet, unassuming merit, an example alike to the pretentious, and the careless, and having withal the charm of good fellowship and kindly feeling, one whose good deeds have brightened many homes, but who lets not his left hand know what his right hand doeth.



WE also see reticent, dignified scholarship, literary charm, a wide mental horizon, unbiased judgment of almost mathematical precision, affability, and grace of manner, and cultured taste.



AND again: Roaring good humor, with fairness and generosity as dominant traits, a broad, inductive mind, a tender sympathy, and a passionate love of nature, an inclusive fondness for all good things, both animate and inanimate.



AND, too: We glory in a strength and gentleness and kindly touch that searches out the faults in the human frame. This same strength and kindness blossoms in our garden of friendship, with charming grace that fascinates us all, and warms our souls.





WE also have the calm, judicial type, severe, imposing, but behind whose austere front glows a wholesome heart, and whose twinkling eye betrays the subtle prank he is ever tempted to play upon mankind (or womankind).

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