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Among the links that remain staunch and unworn uniting the Theosophical Society of the present day with the movement of earlier years, Dr. J. D. Buck is one of the most important. Strengthened through endurance, brighter from use, less noisy than where the strain is less tense, he is eminently one of those whose mission it is simply to be strong, and thus impart strength to others. Around him the Cincinnati Branch has grown and prospered, and year after year, at the several American Conventions, he has exhibited as Chairman of those assemblies the quiet dignity and the perfect control which distinguishes the man of affairs and the profound and devoted student of human life and nature. The business ability is present, but something more besides, something broader and suggestive of a wider outlook than confines the mere parliamentarian.

Dr. Buck was for many years Dean of Pulte Medical College in Cincinnati, and his professional attainments have been valuable aids to the cause he has most at heart. His work, "A Study of Man," indicates this, while "Christos," and innumerable magazine articles, many displaying an archeological interest which we believe is characteristic, have secured him a literary reputation.

The reorganization of the American

Section of the T. S., as the T. S. in America, owes more perhaps to Dr. Buck's clear-headed appreciation of the best thing to be done at all times, than to anything else. The practically unanimous acceptance of his proposals by the Boston Convention proved this, and his election to the office of Vice-President was felt to be more of an honour done to the Society than even a recognition of his services.

In a recent article Dr. Buck outlines his conceptions of the theosophic ideal so tersely and so comprehensively that we append it.

"There have always been two classes of seekers after truth. The one go to and fro, seeking a sign, crying lo here! and lo there! Another class seek no sign, but are content to *do the will of the Master*. These are calm and dispassionate in judgment, discriminating, charitable and helpful, and they never attack or denounce anyone; first,

because it is useless and unnecessary; and second, because they work on an entirely different plane."

While Dr. Buck ranks among the elders of the theosophic Israel, there beats in his breast and animates his handclasp that sympathetic heart of youth which gives him fellowship with every pilgrim on the Path, however weak in days or deeds. This heart ignores no bond in all the brotherhood of service. None other brotherhood endures



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