

or the other, but would be entirely judicial, and his whole object would be to help the presiding judge to a correct understanding of the intricate medical problems presented. I believe that in this way the real cause of justice would be furthered.

With regard to the working of the Academy for the coming winter, you will notice by the calendar presented by the Programme Committee that we are to be favored with addresses by some very prominent men. By the courtesy of Dr. Louis Wickham, of Paris, we have already had the privilege and advantage of commencing with an extra meeting, when we were brought into closer touch with "radium therapy." I was charmed by his judicial manner and scientific spirit. Though his utterances are *ex cathedra*, they are no loud boastings, but a calm exposition of the present position and value of a substance possessing high potentialities and great therapeutic possibilities.

Our thanks are due alike to Dr. Wickham and the gentlemen who made it possible for us to have the privilege of meeting and listening to a man of such wide repute at our special meeting.

The subjects for consideration during this season are both advanced and attractive, and I must take this opportunity of thanking my confreres for their active help towards the completion of our programme. I hope that we may do honor to those who are to favor us by giving them good and attentive audiences. I know that each and every one of us will go away from the meetings carrying germs of thought which will increase and multiply to our advantage.

To the older men I say, "Give us of your experience," and come to our meetings prepared to take an active part in the proceedings and discussions.

To the younger men I have the advice to give that the meetings of the sections are amongst the most valuable opportunities of their lives. They can do much to enliven the discussions and add materially to the attractiveness of the Academy. Let me urge upon all the advisability of careful study and preparation of cases, papers and remarks. Unless we are well prepared we do not always during a heated argument present our thoughts in the careful, scientific manner due to a progressive, learned society.

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