

ing up of worthy and noble lives, let the foundation-stones be truthfulness and honor, and the superstructure a truly unselfish devotion to the good of your fellow men. Thus will you not only have the consciousness of well-doing as the reward ever present in your own hearts, but there will come another, and by no means insignificant reward in the trust and confidence in those around you which will be thereby inspired. If you are treacherous, and double-dealing, and selfish, you will be punished for it by the constant haunting suspicion that you see treachery and selfishness looking out from the eyes of all your associates. Even your best friends—those to whom you are under the greatest obligations, and who are really most worthy of all confidence—will fall under the ban of your cruel suspicions. Thus will your lives be constantly embittered, and the brightest scenes turned into darkness, misgiving and gloomy distrust. You may seek rest and change in other lands, but you will carry with you the cause of your own torture and disquiet.

*"Cælum non animum mutant qui trans mare currunt."*

"They change the sky above them and not themselves, who hasten over the sea," says Horace, with admirable wisdom.

As you are now completing your course of study here let me urge you not to consider your education as finished, but as only so begun that a good foundation is laid for higher attainments in the various fields of knowledge, which you have only as yet partially explored. Indeed the more varied and comprehensive your knowledge becomes, the wider will be your view over the unexplored regions beyond—just as in mountain climbing, every successive peak which you ascend only brings more clearly into view the hitherto hidden peaks beyond it; and no explorer, however daring or however sure his foot, has ever so scaled the last and highest peak as to see no unscaled height still towering above and inviting him to

fresh endeavor. In this further pursuit of knowledge, some of you are to seek it at once in the more practical duties opening before you, where you will ever find enough to reward your most earnest efforts; and some will have recourse to the more advanced studies offered by university work. If your Alma Mater, in her humble field, has stimulated your love of knowledge for its own sake, and taught you to slake your thirst at other and higher fountains, the part of the work properly assigned to her will have been satisfactorily performed. It has never been, and may it never become her aim to break down the barrier which properly exists between the college and the university, and thus do inferior college work thro' her aspirations to become a university instead.

You are soon now to be enrolled on the list of the Alumni of this college, and in this new position of added responsibility I am sure that you will become even more and more zealous for its interests, and more and more watchful over all that may, in the slightest degree, retard its progress as the years go by. The position already attained by Swarthmore among the colleges of the country is an honorable position, and her record thus far is no unenviable one for that of a young college, just out of its teens, and completing its second decade. But we are all hoping for even greater progress in the two next decades, and that this may be assured it is no less important that a watchful guardian care be extended over the institution by the Alumni, than that it should be properly officered and wisely directed by its governing board. For who can have more at stake, and who can therefore be more deeply interested in the college than its Alumni, whose diplomas must vary in value and significance as its fortunes rise or fall. This young Alumni Association into which you are about to enter already contains many earnest men and women who are resolved not to let the highest interests of their beloved Alma Mater suffer from any cause, and it will be for you, with your fresher