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LADIES AND GENTLEMEN.

In accordance with time-honored custom, I am called upon to address a few remarks to the Graduating Class of 1897. On an occasion like this, when we are honored by the presence of many ladies and also of gentlemen unconnected with the medical profession, it would be unseasonable and inappropriate to occupy the time with scientific technicalities, or anything else but common sense generalities, suitable to the events of the day, and thoroughly intelligible to every one. To-day you have attained the prize for which you have been striving hard for a long course of four years, during which you have shown, by your diligence in study and punctual attendance at the lectures of the various teachers, that you have fully earned the distinguished honor for which you have been toiling. You now go forth to pursue your medical career, and your diplomas testify to the fact that you are to a *certain* extent well equipped for the battle of life, in which you will necessarily be called upon to baffle many a form of disease, and procrastinate in all possible instances the unwelcome hour of death.

But although your college training and apprenticeship is at an end, do not for *one* moment permit yourselves to think that your education is *finished*. Your novitiate alone is past, the foundations have been laid, but the *edifice*, which literally means the building up of your professional career, has yet to be reared. You must always remember, to quote the words of Lord Palmerston: "Education is the art which teaches men how to live. The education of a sensible and intelligent man continues to the latest day of his existence,