opinions of the subject of the sketch on the public questions of the day; 2nd, adding, to the majority of the sketches, opinions taken from the public press or other trustworthy authority on the merits, work and services of the subject thereof; and 3rd, supplying the post-office address, town residence, and club (if any) of each person represented in the book.

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