

elevated in the universe than this idea of Brotherhood? I think it must be a poor soul, not worthy the name of *man*, whose pulses do not throb with a nobler thrill, at the very thought, *we are brothers all!* Could we but feel this every day, not only when met together in our Association, where, surrounded by animated faces, it seems easy to believe each a brother, working for a brothers weal; but if we could carry this idea with us in the every day work of life, to what far greater heights could we not hope to raise our profession? This we can only accomplish by the continued, *united* effort of each individual member of the society. It is an old saying, but no less true for being old, that "Union is strength." Let us endeavor to prove this by being united as one man in all the interests that pertain to the general good of our professional calling.

To my younger brothers in the profession I would say, do not imagine you know everything yet, nor feel too proud to consult with others. Learn all you can, in every way possible, and then try and impart your knowledge to your brother dentists, believing that you thus lend to the profession that which will be repaid with 100 per cent! And you will thus have the proud assurance of doing something towards the advancement of our noble work. My friends whose heads have grown grey in the profession will bear me witness that we are never too old to learn.

Mr. President, do not think that I imagine myself superior to these natural feelings of human weakness, for I must confess that at the beginning of my professional career I used to think all dentists my enemies; but I am very happy to say things are very different now; and I feel and believe a brother dentist *my best friend*.—Whether the change is in others or myself, I leave you to judge. My impression is that it is because we are all beginning to feel the importance of this subject of Dental Brotherhood; and here I must record my belief in the great good our Society is doing in this respect, as well as others. Associated effort must soon rub the angles from our minds, and show us the boundless advantages of Dental Associations. It will serve to promote friendly intercourse among us, and inspire each with professional pride, a laudable zeal, and earnest desire to press forward, and improve and excel in our dental manipulations. Gentlemen, it deserves, and should receive our hearty co-operation. It has already done much to break down the barriers of selfishness and secret methods of practice among dentists, and is fast doing away with the unwillingness to impart to others in the