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## HON. IRA SHAFER'S REMARKS.

Nr. Chairman: Although many years the junior of our departed brother, and although I am surrounded by many who have known him longer and perhaps more intimately than I have, yet I should be unjust to my feelings were I to remain a silent spectator. I am aware that I shall be unable to add much to what has already appeared in the press of our city and in the proceedings of our Common Council respecting him whose untimely death, in a foreign land, among strangers, we all mourn. They have spoken of his ancestry; his youth; his manhood; his official career, and of his many virtues. To me, his death is a sad event, indeed a bereavement. My debt of gratitude to him when living, and to his memory when dead, is greater than I shall ever be able to discharge. When I look back but ten short years to the period when the design was formed of making this city the theatre of my future career, as an humble member of the profession loved by us all, and recollect the kindness extended to me by Charles L. Austin; when I remember his parental, Christian advice and solicitude; his words of cheer and encouragement under trying circumstances; his constant, devoted and undying friendship down to the very hour of his sailing for the land where repose his remains; when thus remembering I feel bereaved indeed by his death. It was true of him, and I wish it were true of the senior members of the profession as a rule, to uniformly regard the young and inexperienced members of the bar with kindness and consideration.

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