

been my pride to contribute in the humble measure of my means and power.

The Dental Association of this province, founded in 1869, has had to fight many battles and to contend with great difficulties before reaching the lofty spheres of prosperity and importance from which it now looks down on those who were aiming at its destruction. But now, thanks to the better portion of the members of our profession and of the public, the Dental Association is counted among the best and most useful institutions of this province.

Its existence having been secured by our Legislature, it is now a legally constituted body enjoying all the benefit of special laws which protect the dental profession and the public against the unscrupulous quacks and charlatans by whom one of the most useful branches of human knowledge, the art of dentistry, has for a long time been degraded.

By the efforts and devotion of such eminent members of our profession as you see this evening, it is now an honor to be a registered dentist of this province; and it is due to the importance of the Dental Association of this province that the Dental Society of the State of Vermont is here this evening drinking before the "beautiful goddess of Friendship" to the health of the Dental Association of the Province of Quebec.

Closely related to this last institution is the Dental College of the Province of Quebec.

Though of recent creation this new institution has already taken a prominent place in this province, so much so that one of the greatest universities of Canada, Bishop's College, of Lennoxville, has accepted a demand of affiliation made by our college. And now the Dental College of the Province of Quebec is affiliated with that powerful university which has done so much for the advancement of science in this country.

The gentleman who has so eloquently and in so poetic language proposed the toast to which I am now responding, spoke of two great men of Rome, Tiberius and Sejanus, whose friendship had caused the Senate to decree the building of an altar. As the strongest ties are not always unbreakable, it happened that Tiberius and Sejanus did not always remain good friends, and history tells us that Sejanus was strangled by the order of Tiberius, whose favorite he had been. May such a fate never be that of the Dental Association and of the Dental College of the Province of Quebec. Let us hope that they will always, as in the past, live in the sweet bonds of friendship. Let us hope, too, that they will never forget the bonds of friendship which unite them to the Dental Society of the State of Vermont.

Dr. F. A. Stevenson, Secretary of the College, replied briefly.