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### THE VERMONT STATE DENTAL SOCIETY.\*

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Mr. President, Ladies, Gentlemen, of the Dental Association of the Province of Quebec—through whose courtesy and generous hospitality we now find ourselves in this beautiful city—Members of the Vermont and New Hampshire State Dental Societies, and any visitors who may chance to be present,—In my official capacity I bid you all a hearty and friendly welcome.

We have assembled here, an agreeable commingling of different nationalities, states, and societies, and this occasion seems beautifully typical of the *oneness* of our professional, ethical and sympathetic ties ; with pleasure do I now greet you all as friends, brothers and co-laborers.

As dental practitioners, we meet here to-day, members of one family, with common interests, mutual respect and unity of hopes and aspirations. In addressing myself to *you*, brothers of the dental profession, I assume that each one of you in choosing the profession of Dental Science considers that you have found the work best adapted to your natural abilities, that which will give you the most complete mental development and best assist you in making the most of your energies and capacities. Let us, at least, hope and believe so, for without confidence in ourselves and faith in our work, success is always uncertain.

There never was a time in the world's history when success in any profession or calling was more dependent upon earnest, per-

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\* President's Annual Address to the Vermont State Dental Society.