

thing should be said of fetal endocarditis, just to clear the minds of the students."

The veil, by which intimacy of contact and innate modesty of heart screens the personality of the truly great from the full vision of their contemporaries, has been lifted for us now by the hand of death, and we see Sir William Osler among those whom Carlyle has called the heroes of the race. His exact position in the history of medicine is for posterity to adjudge; but the revelations made by his pioneer work in pathological anatomy as shown in his collections and early publications, and his perennial interest in the facts of nature which this work had declared to his searching gaze, yields no uncertain forecast. Where the palm is given to versatility of genius and power of its expression, unflinching accuracy of observation, instantaneous recognition and correlation of significant data, and that all-embracing creative faculty which forms, out of the multitudinous details of a crowded experience, new, fresh, and clear concepts of humanitarian value,—*there* the name of William Osler will be written large, beside that of Rudolph Virchow, the apostle of his youth, and Jonathan Hutchinson, the enthusiasm of his maturer years.

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