

many of us lack—greatness in little things—method, system, punctuality, order, the economical use of time. These have been the handmaids to his greater gifts. These have enabled him to widen his usefulness to lands beyond the seas.

"Seest thou a man diligent in his business? He shall stand before kings."

*Dr. Osler in Baltimore—Teacher and Consultant.*—Dr. William H. Welch, of Baltimore, spoke to this toast. He said that it is always hazardous for contemporaries to attempt to pass judgment on those with whom they have been brought intimately in contact. It always seems worth while, however, that a generation should realize what it considers the value of the work of the men whom it most admires and the reasons for that admiration. It would, indeed, be a precious document if we could have some idea of how much the medical men of his generation thought of Sydenham, and if we could have some notion of the way in which they regarded his ideas, practical, scientific, and ethical. We are then making history for a future generation, and there is no doubt that the man who is being honored to-night exemplifies the highest ideal of the medical profession in his generation. When sixteen years ago Dr. Osler came to Baltimore, the main purpose of the faculty was that the hospital should be an integral part of the medical school, and that opportunities should be afforded for higher clinical training. It seemed for this purpose that students should be made a part of the machinery of the hospital, and it is to Osler that the working out of this part of the plan is due. This, indeed, represents his contribution to medical teaching here in America. He had stood out originally for a broader preliminary education, for the improvement of medicine than had been the custom before, though he had realized also that many of the men who had done well in the past had succeeded in doing so even with the drawback of defective education. When it is announced that only those holding college degrees would be admitted as students at Johns Hopkins Medical School, he said jokingly, "Dr. Welch, it is a fortunate thing that you and I come in as members of the faculty, otherwise we might not be able to secure admission to the school at all."

His most striking contribution to the life at Johns Hopkins has been the interest which he has aroused among the students and the personal influence which has enabled him to bring out in them the best of their intellectual and moral points. It is no wonder that his students love to call him Chief, for even the medical profession of the country has learned to have something of that strange feeling toward him, and he has done more than any other American medical man of our generation to bring harmony into our professional ranks. The spirit of friendly co-operation which characterizes the medical societies of to-day is due not a little to Osler's incentive and to his genial qualities. His personality was con-