

exceptions, have joined the majority. But it is as true to-day as it was with the ancient prophet that though the workmen die, the work goes on. The profession of Toronto is almost a new one; but the spirit of those men, some of whose portraits hang upon our walls, yet remains with us. In the words of Emerson, "Though they have ceased to be our companions they are still our guides." To be loyal to their memory will go a long way to make us loyal to ourselves and the work we have in hand. Something has been done to keep alive the memory of those very worthy names. We are told by Amelia B. Welby that "Hope links us to the future, but it is memory that links us to the past." With Lady Macbeth we can truly say, "Memory is the warder of the brain."

The Academy of Medicine of Toronto may well be proud of its position. In a few weeks, at the most, its permanent home will be ready for occupation. In that home there will be stored our *penates and lares*, our household gods in the form of the pictures, books and other possessions of the Academy; and around it will grow up many fond associations, or as the poet puts it,

Tender memories round thee twine,
Like the ivy green round the pine.

To a body of men belonging to any profession, one could not imagine anything that could form such a centre of attraction as a good library. There they can hold communion with the great minds of the present and the past. What a pleasure it is for us to be able to sit down and recall the very words that Galen, or Celsus, or Laennec, or Cooper penned, and feel within ourselves the workings of their minds as the image of the printed word stimulates our own centres! Well may we exclaim with Prospero,

My Library
Was dukedom large enough.

For the upbuilding of this library we can all do something. There is no one who cannot contribute his mite towards the filling of the shelves. A mighty country has been built up to the south of us under the motto *e pluribus unum*. So with us, what one could not do all united can for a certainty accomplish. We can contribute our fees; we can give books; we can induce others to