

to introduce them to our readers. We are sure that all will agree in thinking it a happy omen that these the first degrees granted by the College to her graduates, have been conferred upon men of such acknowledged ability.

We congratulate them most heartily and at the same time commend their desire to receive the honor from their Alma Mater, rather than from some other source. It is surely natural that those who have gone forth and done yeoman service in the field, should return for the acknowledgment of it to those halls which saw their early struggles and triumphs, and should receive their laurel from the hands of those professors who pointed them the upward path to fame.

Ceremony

Was but devis'd at first, to set a gloss
On faint deeds, hollow welcomes,
Recanting goodness, sorry ere 'tis shown;
But where there is true friendship, there needs none.
—Shakspeare.