

I was at a loss to understand this for some time until I made a startling discovery, which fully explained the futility of my efforts.

It was this, that such a toast at such a dinner needed no talking on my part, for *it spoke for itself!*

And is this not so gentlemen? I firmly believe yes, for such a toast, without any additionally flowery eloquence, to my mind speaks in no uncertain voice of all that stands for friendship; good fellowship and unity. Yes, unity, that magic word which is to play such an important part, not so much in these rolling, rollicking, students days, but in the great future to which we all look forward.

We students, like the general run of the Medical profession, are, I think, too much inclined to develop into a lamentable spirit of Chauvinism, against which Dr. Wm. Osler (whom Dr. Grant Stewart has so eloquently quoted to-night), in his annual address at the recent meeting of the Canadian Medical Association, so strongly warned the profession.

With us, this Chauvinism takes the form of imagining that our University is the only one which ought to exist, and that though, by some unfortunate mistake, other institutions similar to our own are to be found, yet ours is the only one competent to turn out good men.

Gentlemen, pride in one's own University, pride in its professors, pride in the graduates which our College turns out, is only right and just, and we should be less than human, nay, wanting in a just and proper *esprit de corps*, if we failed to cultivate and cherish such sentiments as these; but surely there is a wider sentiment, aye, and a wider yet which should animate us! I should like to divide this relationship into three circles.

In the first I would place the spirit of which I have already spoken, viz., that personal pride in our Alma Mater, that anxiety for her success, pride in the advantages which she offers, and in the successes of our fellow graduates. The next is a wider one, and one into which all of us here to-night may enter—it is the pride we should feel as Canadians and Canadian graduates in the medical schools of this broad Dominion, pride in the men which these schools turn out; and the history of this Continent, at least, shews us that we have just cause for pride.