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## The Sanctum.

The Collegian, Past and Present.

Dwight, President of Yale University, contributes an article on "The Collegian, Past and Present" which is most valuable and helpful to the student. He begins by discussing two tendencies to which almost all men are liable. One class of men accept without question a system of thought that has been handed down by the past, simply because of its venerable character. What our fathers taught and believed should not be set aside by any new theories of modern times. The old foundations have stood the test of years, let us be careful how we build upon new foundations. "The new light is a taper and may soon be extinguished. The old light is the sun which illumines all."

Another class of men act in an entirely different way. They refuse to be bound down by any ancient system of thought. Progress is the law of the world, therefore the new must be an improvement upon the old.

Dr. Dwight claims that "the fair and large minded way is between these two, and leads apart from the errors which belong to both. He who follows this way opens his eyes to the future without shutting them to the past. He is a creature of hope and yet of remembrance. He is both a conservative and a progressive, or rather, that