

session of Thursday, July 13th. Dr. A. M. Clark was requested to take the chair, and Dr. E. H. Eidt, of Stratford, read the following address :

ROYAL COLLEGE OF DENTAL SURGEONS.

TORONTO, July 13th, 1899.

*To Dr. J. B. Willmott, Dean of the Royal College of Dental Surgeons of Ontario :*

DEAR SIR,—When each of us, the members in attendance upon the practitioners' course, now drawing to a close, graduated from the college of which you have so long been the head, we little thought we should ever again have the privilege of sitting at your feet in the capacity of pupils ; and even had we known it then we could not have anticipated the sentiment that possessed us, nor the thoughts and recollections to be called up by the renewal of the old-time relationship. We remember too well how clever we all were in those student days, and how badly all the professors fared, yourself included, when subjected to our keen and searching criticism. Alas, with the years that have come upon us since then, it would seem that our mental acumen has become blunted, and "our glory has departed," for in the light of our years of experience your teaching has gradually assumed such a form with us that now we have little to add to it, and less to alter. But while we have grown in our appreciation of your labors as a teacher, we have also learned to recognize more and more of the value of your devotion to the profession and the many and varied services you have rendered it. In the wisdom that underlies our splendid Dental Act, in our excellent system of dental education, and in this magnificent college building, that is the pride of us all, we can everywhere recognize your personality and your zeal for the welfare of dentistry. We would also have you know, sir, that we remember and appreciate the fact that when your duty as an officer of our Board of Directors has required you to proceed against the transgressor of our law, you have done it conscientiously and faithfully, no matter what odium you knew would be on your head in consequence ; and, lastly, we would remember your part in the organizing and arrangement of this splendid practitioners' course for the graduates of our College.

We can never repay you for all these things ; but, sir, we would have you know that though too seldom expressed, there is always a warm and growing appreciation from your old students, and while we are here assembled we cannot allow the opportunity to pass us of giving it some expression, and as a slight token of our esteem for you, and our sincere wishes for many years of con-