

ideals of a student, when he passes into practice to him the words of Dr. Bassett will have their full meaning: "Conscious of this virtue, he feels no necessity for trumpeting his professional acquirements abroad, but with becoming modesty and true dignity, which constitutes genuine professional pride, he leaves this to the good sense of his fellow citizens to discover."

A word from Marcus Aurelius would be in order here. "Take care always to remember that you are a man; and let every action be done with perfect and unaffected gravity, humanity, freedom, and justice. And be sure you entertain no fancies which may give a check to these qualities. Continue to dishonor yourself, my soul! Neither will you have much time left to do yourself honor."

True to this great command of the Roman emperor, Professor Goldwin Smith once said that "the medical profession had ever worn the white wings of peace. There were no wars nor persecutions standing to its charge. Its mission had been, throughout history, the relief of suffering and the betterment of mankind. In its hands were to be found, not the sword, but the olive branch and leaves of healing."

Among the students of to-day there may be a future Sydenham, Boerhaave, Harvey, Hunter, Lister, Jenner. Remember Carlyle's saying: "The Great Man was always as lightning out of Heaven; the rest of men waited for him like fuel, and then they too would flame." And Goethe once more: "Here is all fulness, ye brave to reward you; work and despair not."

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#### DR. REEVE'S PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS.

In another page we publish a full abstract of Dr. Reeve's Address before the British Medical Association. Though it was not known what lines his address would take, all knew that it would be worthy the occasion.

A careful perusal of the address shows that some important points are emphasized. One of these is the world-wideness of medicine. The medical profession is united in fighting the Common foe to the human race—disease in every form. Another subject touched upon is the immense value of preventive medicine. But that progress be made in this there must be research. It is here that governments and the wealthy can be of such assistance. The money so spent yields a thousand fold return.

An important feature of the address is the appeal for a simple life. Moderation in diet and temperate habits are the foundations for the best