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HIRTY SEVENTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE N. C. MEDICAL SOCIETY.

Oxford's Grand Reception-Hon. A. H. A. Williams Delivers the Address of Welcome-Dr. J. A. Hodges, of Fayetteville, Responds in Behalf of the Society.

The great event in the history of our town this week was the meeting of the North Carolina Medical Society, and our citizens threw wide their doors and enter tained its members in princely style.

The Convention met in the Opera House Tuesday morning at 11:45, with a large number of M. D's, in attendance, as was also a large number of our citizens, who had gathered to participate in the welcoming ceremonies.

Dr. J. M. Hays, the most worthy Secre tary of the Society, and chairman of the local committee of arrangements, called the assemblage to order.

Rev. W. L. Cuninggim, Pastor of the

Methodist Church, offered a beautiful prayer, asking that Divine blessings might rest upon the deliberations of the body. The talented and gifted A. H. A. Williams arose, and, advancing to the front of the stage with the dignity of a Con-

MR. PRESIDENT, AND GENTLEMEN OF THE NORTH CAROLINA MEDICAL SOCIETY:

gressman, said :

On behalf of the citizens of Oxford I welcome you as guests whose presence we greet as fraught with much of joy, instruction and edification. The welcome which we deem it a peculiar and signal honor to tender you, is sincere, hearty and unaffected. It is deep enough and comprehensive enough to include all the members of your Association, whether contemplated in their corporate capacity or individually, as representative men of a time honored profession. Oxford realizes that none other than the heartiest welcome would be worthy of the State Medical Society or adequate to the demands of this occasion. I am therefore empowered by her citizens to say that she stands ready and willing, with open doors, with open hands and with open hearts to discharge every requisition made on her courtesy and hospitality.

From the remotest period of antiquity your profession has been one of usefulness and honor. Its mission has been of a worthy and exalted character, and its membership at 'all times composed of men of skill, intelligence and ability. The interchange of opinions between intelligent physicians of varied experiences -of varied fields of observation is of untold and incalculable value. Those in clined to self conceit and arrogance find that they do not know everything. Those of too much modesty and diffidence are encouraged and stimulated by seeing and learning that they possess at least as much ability as many of those who have achieved success. The spirit of honorable rivalry and friendly emulation incites a zeal for victory, and a diligence to secure it, that increases the extent and accuracy of your knowledge. The preparation of papers to be read, of speeches to be delivered, of facts to be presented, of data to be preserved, tends to improve all engaged in such labors as well as those who enjoy the fruits thereof. In short your sessions are short scholastic terms in which all of you, as so many pupils, however old or young you may be, can drink draughts from the fountains of medical knowledge.

The advantages of your Society cannot at the first blush be fully comprehended. him for his compliments to Oxford and They are too vast and far reaching to be taken in at the first glance or by a single mind blush.

In glancing over this assemblage of physicians I observe several gentlemen known to me personally of distinguished ability, of whom our whole State has abundant reason to be proud, and for whom you gentleman cherish the profoundest respect and consideration. They are men of mark. They would be men of mark in any country, in any age, in any deliberative association or any department of life. In speaking of them as ciety, he was assured that this would rank bright stars in the intellectual firmament of their profession, the tribute to them is not fulsome or over-wrought. It falls short rather than exceeds the limit of compliment to which they are justly entitled. Hence arises the natural enquiry why is it that in a profession thus amply supplied as is the Medical Faculty of North Carolina with men of acknowledged genius, learning, practical wisdom, men eminently versed in the science, both of surgery and medicince, that there are must of necessity seek medical treatment | history. beyond the limits or the State.

concert of their own or from choice, but under the advice of their regular home physician. It has been impracticable quite often to do otherwise. But is it not feasible for your Society by wisdom, by deliberation, by concert of action to correct this state of affairs? The trouble is a condition and not a theory that confronts us, the necessity of which I am sure, gentlemen, you greatly deplore, and I hope not entirely to extirpate. The objection every year never to return is secondary in comparison to the inconvenience, the anfest themselves on a moment's reflection. large cities, the dearth of money are obdone in the near future to meet and over- tional institutions, and especially our Or- ville,

come these difficulties. It is to be hoped that an advanced step will be taken in the formation of suitable homes or hospitals where our sick people can be treated by our own doctors and in our own Siate Accomplish this gentlemen and you will have added another link in the chain of

gratitude that endears you to the people. We read that when Captain Murrel of the Steamship Missouri, beheld the Danish steamer Denmark, with her seven hundred passengers lying helpless in mid ocean, he was compelled to decide between landing his valuable cargo or saving the lives of these human beings. Right quickly did he decide. Overboard went the cargo and he had his reward in the love of the rescued, the approval of his employers, the praise of millions in all lands, testimonials from the known and unknown, and finally crowned with the honor of knighthood by the King of Denmark. I would not disparage one word of praise thus bestowed on Capt. Murrell. I would prefer to add another leaflet of honor to his brow. But were the noble deeds of the men of your fraternity, which are often no sooner rendered than they perish in oblivion were the noble deeds | ing the presence of the fair ladies of the of sacrifice, of comfort, of fortune, of time, yea, of life itself fully know and duly recognized by Government in the bestowal of its dignities and its honors, neither the sailors, who brave the dangers of the ocean, and fight in defence of their flags the navai battle of the country, nor the soldiers who "dare or die" in defence of freedom's battles, are more entitled to knightnood than the grand benevolent, big hearted physician, who, by night or by day, in storm or fair weather, in sickness or in health, in adversity or prosperity, go forth, like angels visits on embasies of love to alleviate suffering humanity. Of course then I do not undervalue the

distinction of being the medium of conveying to you a welcome, the warmest of warm welcomes to our homes and firesides. As your Society is a growing, enterprising, progressive organization it is with peculiar fitness that you are holding this session of your Convention in the growing, enterprising, progressive town of Oxford, an embryo city with the best social, intellectual, educational, moral and religious advantages. Possessing such a town as this in the enjoyment of superior railroad facilities, with a salubrious climate, flanked on all sides with the best soil in the world for the growth of the bright leaf tobacco of golden hue, silken texture, exquisite aroma and international fame what prevents Oxford from being one of the most populous cities of North Carolina, as she is to-day one of the most pleasant places of abode on the American continent. I am sure you have heard of the fame of Oxford, and I am gratified that you are here to see her nestled in beauty on on the healthy hills of Granville. I am particularly gratified that you have come at this season of the year when Oxford is clad in natural robes of verdue and lovliness which seemingly in unison with the spirit of the hour are waving you a gladsome, spontaneous welcome.

At the close of Capt. Baldy Williams' address of welcon e Dr. J. A. Hodges, of Fayetteville, arose from his seat among his brethren and responded on behalf of the Medical Society of North Carolina. His speech was a chaste, classical, and beautiful effort, abounding in many gems of beauty. He is a handsome gentleman of pleasant voice, and had a highly cultivated audience to listen to his most happy and appropriate speech. We thank her people. The following is a synoposis

He commenced his speech by a return of his thanks personally and on behalf of his colleagues for this warm welcome in the name of Oxford through her distinguished citizen and orator. He then spoke of the pleasures of these annual reunions, and of the open-handed and generous hearted greeting that had just been extended, saying that while "the distinguished courtesies of an honored reception" had always been accorded the Soamong the grandest of all.

He spoke of the historic past of Granville and the conspicuous part played by her sons in our State's annals-of their early stand for liberty and freedom-then of her galaxy of distinguished talent, "her Venables and Gilliams, her Hendersons and Williams, her Kyles and Kingsburys-illustrious sires of illustrious

He then paid a glowing tribute to the "quenchless bravery and deathless valor" so often various types of patients who of her sons in those later days of our dark

Dr. Hodges then asked his auditors "to They go abroad not from any whim or turn from the glories of the past, grand and inspiring as they are, to the present with its potent promises." He said that the speaker had not asked his audience to follow him forth "into the mystical realms of the witchland and list to the fabled myths of the fairles concerning the mouldering landmarks of the past hereabouts, nor study with him the fast crumbling monuments of a decaying civilization, but rather he had invited them out into the that you will be able to lessen at least, if broad and open sunlight of to day, into the stiring scenes of the acting present, that much money is taken out of the State | into the busy hives of your many industries and bade us to learn well the lessons of your thrift and prosperity as writ in noyance and the disadvantages that mani- living letters of golden promise above the shining portals of your coming city." The sparseness of population, the lack of | He then spoke briefly of our grand old town, the home and centre of culture and stacles not easily surmounted, still much refinement, and renowned as such the can be done, and I believe much will be State over. He mentioned our educa-

phan Asylum in which every true North Carolinian feels a peculiar pride and pleasure. He said: "It is the off-spring of a noble charity dedicated to helpless humanity. It is a true and fitting monument of that spirit of charity which prevails throughout our land, which is neither the fruit of study nor the privilege of refinement, which in its ministrations knows no sect, no creed, no class, but over all alike spreads its white wings of protecting love. Be there known in our fair State, either grief or penury; be there heard either sighing or sorlow; be there, indeed, sickness and suffering, no matter how humble; be there in and misery, no matter how degraded, the gentle hand of humanity, if need be, stays the flat of wayward fate, and in faith and hope and love points earth's sick and suffering ones to yonder temple of North Carolina's noblest charity. Forever honored be this sacred work of humanity, this grand and glorious institution to charity! "The recording angel of abiding justice will preserve its annals of genereus deeds and the soul from whence it sprang shall be immortal." In this connection, notictown he said that they reminded him of another lesson that the Physicians could learn in their visit to Oxford, and in connection with this institution, namely, "the sweet and simple charity of lovely woman, and although, enshrined as this noble charity is in the hearts of us all, still it is to the loving heart and cheerful giving hands of the gentle women of our State and especially Oxford, that we must look for its support and maintenance, and chiefest among them all, there is one of them that, in reading of her good deeds, the speaker has often had cause to breathe upon her a simple blessing, for her work has been done with a tenderness and a thoroughness, a beauty and a self abnegation that could have sprung from the highest type of ideal womanhood. Upon her shining brow, although unknown to her, I place this morning the wreath of a atranger's regard and affection, and wish that her life through the decl'ning vale

He then congratulated the men of Oxford upon the "Queen City of the Golden Belt." He said in the course of his remarks: "The home of a brave and hospi table people, she stands to-day but upon the threshold of her greatness, and through the half-opened door of the future streams the glad light of a grander day; her soul is fired with the breath of a new-born life, her energies are quick ened with the impulse of a new blood and she is thrilling to-day with a consciousness of a growing power and prosperity. Her country-sides are her store-houses of inexhaustible mineral wealth, and her fertile fields are yellow with the golden splendor of "Granville brights," that in the gladsome harvest time shall reflect not only the sunlight of this happy land, but as well the happiness and weaith of her favored people,"

of years, may be as happy as she has made

bright the lives of these 300 orphaned

He then spoke of Capt. Williams' reference to his profession, and told fim of the assured success of the ultimate triumphs of future scientific medicing With a brief peroration he closed

President Thomas took the chair and called the Society to order, and proceeded to business. There were about two hundred Doctors

present. A large number of papers were read during the session, on subjects of great interest to the profession.

On Tuesday afternoon Dr. W. A. Hammond, of Washington, D. C., was introduced by the President, and was received with applause. He said that "he had long loved the State of North Carolina, and felt a deep interest in the welfare of her people, and more especially in its medical fraternity." He then proceeded to deliver his lecture on "Diseases of the Spinal Cord." Those who were competent to judge pronounced it first-class in every respect. A vote of thanks was tendered Dr Hammond for his lecture by the So-

Dr. I. W. Faison delivered the annual essay, and Dr. Lyman, of Baltimore, son of Bishop Lyman, read a paper on the use of surgical instruments.

The talented Dr. J. A. Hodges delivered one of the most important addresses upon "The Insane of our State Outside of Public Institutions." He showed a vast amount of suffering they had to undergo for want of necessary care and treatment. It made one's heart ache to listen to the fact that they were not properly cared for in the county poor houses and jails of

At the conclusion of his remarks the Society tendered him a vote of thanks, and asked that he have portions of his address published in the papers of the State, in order to more fully arouse the people of the State to the importance of providing more room at the Asylums for these poor unfortunate creatures. At this juncture the President stepped forward and presented Dr. Hodges with a most exquisitely arranged bouquet, composed of rare and choice flowers. It was indeed beautiful and was highly appreciatedby this gentleman

As the Board of Examiners had served out their term of seven years, a new one was elected, which is composed of the following gentlemen: G. W. Thomas, of Wilmington; L. J. Picot, Littleton; W. H. Whitehead, Battleboro; R. S. Young, Matthews; R. L. Payne, Jr., Lexington G. W. Parefoy, Asheville; Geo. W. Long, Graham.

There are 67 applicants for license on examination, nine of whom are negroes. The annual oration was delivered by Dr. W. J. Jones, of Goldsboro.

A complimentary ball was tendered the members of the Society at Armory Hall, Wednesday night, which was said to have been most highly enjoyed. As we were not favored with an invitation we cannot give our readers a description of this grand affair. The following officers were elected for

the ensuing year: President-Dr. R. H. Lewis, of Raleigh. Vice Presidents-1st, Dr. S. W. Battle, of Asheville; 2nd, Dr. J. L. Nicholson, of Richland; 3rd, Dr. W. H. Lilly, of Con-

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