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THURSDAY EVENING, DEC. 9, 1880. SENIOR ORATION. "HAVE WE REASON TO BE PROUD OF OUR COUNTRY?"

By C. B. Heller, Class of 1881, Franklin

Nations, like individuals, have their faults, their follies and their virtues. Ours is no exception. Though not burdened with the evils which attend the governments of the old world it nevertheless has forms of error peculiar to itself, which, unchecked, tend to undermine the liberties it secures to us and sap the vital energies of our national life.

Though the history of America as compared with that of other nations, past and present, is one of which her sons may justly be proud, yet in the brief period which covers the time again things have occurred which have neither won respect abroad nor tended to our improvement and prosperity at home.

The pride and boastfulness of Americans in regard to their country have become so prevalent that we find the public and private citizens, all have united in publishing her merits and sounding her praises, her virtues have been lauded to the skies, her shortcomings have been ignored.

But it is not well to boast until all difficulties have been surmounted and the vantage ground assured, and to count nothing a success until success shall have been won. None but he of keen foresight and a clear understanding of the springs of human thought and action can predicate with any degree of certainty the successful issue of human projects and undertakings.

Fourth of July orations to the contrary, our government has not endured the test of sufficient experiment. Unless all things earthly are shortly to come to an end, the record of our hundred years is not a sufficient guarantee of the permanency of our republican institutions.

We are yet in the formative period of our existence. Much remains to be accomplished, many trials and difficulties to be overcome, and in regard to the future we can safely say that we are established upon a sure basis.

Our country is great in the possession of the bountiful gifts of nature, great in the extent of its territory and great in the number of its citizens. It is without a peer in the achievements of invention, in the skill and the results of scientific discovery. It is the greatest contributor to the practical agriculture of the world; the greatest promoter of commerce and civilization; the greatest improver of personal, political and social conditions.

This and much more has been done and done within the short period of one hundred years. If in so short a space of time so much has been accomplished are we not justified in calling our country a great nation? Is it not a sign of prosperity and success as certain? We answer that material resources, material progress and intellectual advancement are only conditions of a nation's greatness and perpetuity; they are to a people what heat and moisture are to a plant. As the glory and perpetuity of a plant depend not so much upon the outward inorganic conditions as upon the quickening force of the plastic power, the germinating principle, so the test of a nation's greatness is not the quantity of its material resources, but rather the degree in which the life and spirit of Christianity become the ruling and directing power in its national life.

Let us see whether America is on safe ground in her reliance upon material resources. We have developed fast in the few years that have been ours as a nation, but it has been a one-sided development. If we have gained much that our forefathers never enjoyed we have also lost much which they deemed indispensable to our national greatness and character. We have lost those stern and rugged virtues for which our ancestors were distinguished. There is no more that easy grace and dignity of bearing, that simplicity of manner, that frankness of face, that honest reliance upon an all-wise Creator, whose over-ruling providence guides and controls the affairs of nations and of men.

One peculiarity of this age and of our country, especially, is the sudden acquisition of much physical knowledge and the willingness to regard for things sacred and divine. Infidelity and skepticism are rife on every hand; there seems, practically, to be no recognition of the all-wise power of a Supreme Being who is ever present and active in and through all His works. We find that there is not a word, and reason is made the arbiter of human destiny.

The world was made for man and not man for the world; but Americans practically declare that man was made for the world. The things of this world are sought for as an end in themselves, instead of being used as means for the development of the inner manhood, the soul.

We lay much stress upon the fact that we are a nation of Christians, that our land is a land of churches and gospel privileges, and that it is distinguished for its philanthropic spirit and open-handed liberality. The greater part of our Christianity, our philanthropy and our liberality, is merely in the name. The hearts of the people attend places of worship, and of that number how many are, in a great measure, indifferent! By many religion has been made dead, dry, mechanical and formal. There is too much that is purely intellectual, too much that is cold and lifeless, and not enough that is electrified by the warming, life-giving influence of the Holy Spirit. Professing to be the followers of him who went about doing good, we fail to follow his example, and here, in our ministrations, too much that is cold and lifeless, and not enough that is electrified by the warming, life-giving influence of the Holy Spirit.

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