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AN ADDRESS

Delivered by **William M. McLure**, Esq., at the Celebration of the 20th Anniversary of Dr. A. F. Anderson's Birth, at **Astoria, Sep. 26, 1904.**

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen:

Lord Macaulay began his stirring epic, "Virginia," with this couplet:

"Why in the Forum crowded,
"Was meant this star in Rome?"

And in the out of what I shall have to say, I desire to ask and answer this question, "What is the meaning of this vast gathering? It certainly is neither civil, political nor religious in its nature. On the other hand, it is purely social; it is a spontaneous coming together of the people that may "in convention assembled" do honor and reverence to, and show in some slight measure their appreciation and esteem for their respected and beloved citizen.

And in this materialistic age, when in most sections of our common country, wealth and display are valued more highly than merit and manhood, a people who turn aside for awhile from their ordinary avocations to show respect for a true man in the highest and best sense of the word do honor unto themselves while engaged in honoring him.

Any person who undertakes to speak of Doctor Anderson in his presence labors under the great disadvantage of appearing to flatter one whose modesty in all its simplicity and lack of pretense abhors flattery and fulsome eulogy, while at the same time devotion to truth and a proper regard for the facts of his life as he has lived it in this community demand that praise and honor be given him to whom honor is due, and so far as this man is concerned,

"None know him but to love him,
None name him but to praise."

Eighty-six years ago today a manchild was born into this world and he was christened A. F. Anderson, and for sixty two years and more he has gone into and out of the homes of his people in the capacity of their trusted, skilled and beloved physician. What a span of time his life has covered! Born a short while after the close of our second war, with England, our mother country, he had attained the full flower and vigor of young manhood at the time of our war with Mexico and was in the prime of his powers when the war of Secession was fought and lost. What social, political, industrial, scientific and economic changes he has witnessed. He has seen the birth and death of political parties, the advent of the railway, the telegraph, the telephone and the wonders of electricity. He has seen the rise and fall of slavery with its feudal system. He has seen the rapid stride of science as she has marched forward in the van of progress, conquering and to conquer. He was a contemporary of Clay and Calhoun and Webster, in fact when we behold this man we are almost led to paraphrase the opening sentence of the immortal address of Daniel Webster to the survivors of the battle of Bunker Hill and to exclaim "Venerable man, you have come down to us from a former generation!"

And he stands before us today as a sturdy oak that has weathered the storms of many winters—still erect—a magnificent specimen and object lesson of the Latin adage, "mens sana in corpore sano," a sound mind in a sound body. His eyes has become somewhat dimmed by age, his features are somewhat etched, but the eyes of his intellect still glow brightly, his heart has kept his heart pure, his blood is uncluttered, his soul is unmeasured, and while

"Age may o'er his brow be flung,
His hair, his heart is ever young."

I know that many of you have had the pleasure of reading that beautiful book of the great English scholar and writer, Sir Macaulay's "The Battle of Bunker Hill." I am glad to say that it is now being reissued in a new and better edition.

What is Life? I would summarize the doctor's duty as follows: "The welfare of the patient, hard and died poor"—poor, but only in the world's goods; but rich in the love and affection of his people, and if we are to believe the words of the Divine Master, who like the physician, sees "not the outward appearance, but the inward man." Let us be satisfied with the words of the great English scholar, "The world is a stage, and we are but players in it."

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the character of the country doctor that of "William McLure, a doctor of the old school!" I am sure that no Macaulay must have known a doctor cast in the same mold as Doctor Anderson and should our good doctor desire to see the counterfeits presentment of himself—drawn with matchless skill and true to life—I commend this beautiful story to him. How his beating pulse and without price his healing skill was at the command of the humblest and poorest peasant within his reach; how he was disgraced of the scorching heat of summer and the cold, the ice, the snow and the rigors of winter, never thought of self nor mindful of distance, who would ride his good horse mile upon mile without food or sleep or rest, responding to every call of sick and suffering humanity. The entire township and community was his great family and he was a father indeed to them all. He knew every road and short cut, every house, and every man, woman and child. And how he loved him! His very presence was an inspiration and the winning of half of each battle with sickness, disease and death. At his coming the weak cheek would begin to flush, the pallid brow to kindle anew with rich blood, the trembling voice would regain its firmness and strength, and the sick room he was a tower of strength, a veritable Gibraltar. Under the shadow of a great rock in a weedy land. And at last when he came to die himself, when was ever a more touching prayer offered than that of the good Scotchman by his bedside, when he said: "Almighty God, don't be hard on William McLure, for he's not been hard on anybody here. Be kind to him as he's been kind to us for all these years, and give him a warm home, for he sorely needs it after all his work."

Measuring my words, I stand before you all and say that everything that William McLure was to Drumtochty in Scotland, A. F. Anderson has been, and, thank God, is to the people of this section of Chester county. A. F. Anderson, a doctor of the old school! And more, a gentleman of the old school! I have never known why it is that under our law the only privileged communications—that is the only secrets that could not be forced from the lips of man on the witness stand, were those between physician and client. That relation is and should be held sacred and confidential. But the relation between preacher of the gospel and the erring christian, though a sinner, between priest and the person confessing to him, should be equally sacred. But of all relations, that of physician and patient, should be most sacred and best guarded. Dr. Anderson, for sixty two years and more, has been a part and parcel of each family here represented. He has been present at the birth and at the death of your loved ones, he has shed your joys and borne your sorrows with you, he has wept while you wept and rejoiced while you rejoiced. He knows the innermost secrets of many of your hearts, he knows every skeleton in every closet in this community. But all of the tortures of the rack and the inquisition could not bring these from his lips. He has been your physician and your protector, but at all times he has guarded your secrets, your troubles and your sorrows, and while a great and good physician, and

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The doctor of the old school, like the gentleman of the old school, is fast passing away, and it will not be long before we shall not "look upon his like again." But let us cherish him while he is with us and before his line has died out.

One of the greatest and best of American physicians was Dr. Oliver Wendell Holmes—and he was also pre-eminent in literature. At a meeting of the Massachusetts Medical Society just before or during the last great war, which rent and racked this nation, he wrote the beautiful poem, part of which I shall quote in conclusion, entitled "The Two Armies," contrasting the army of soldiers, whose duty it was to slay, with the army of physicians, whose duty it was and is to save. It reads as follows:

"The Two Armies," contrasting the army of soldiers, whose duty it was to slay, with the army of physicians, whose duty it was and is to save. It reads as follows: "As life's unending column flows, Two marshalled hosts are seen, And lo! the ranks are full of those That death flows black between. The wide-mouthed clarion's cry, And lo! the ranks are full of those That death flows black between. "Our glory is to slay." No more in silence by the stream, Rich and sad, yet watchful eyes, (As he walks the path of life) gleam That walk the cloudy skies. Along its front no sabres shine, No more the pennon's banner flies, Its banner bears the single line, "Our duty is to save."

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MODERN TEXT BOOKS

Waddy Thompson's History Co-edited to be Fair and Accurate.

It still remains a mystery to us why the State board of education of South Carolina and some other southern states persist in adopting the text books that they do, when it has been discussed and plainly shown that these books are written by the rank partisan northern men and women. The continued use of Barnes' history in the schools of the south, when it has been pointed out by those who know, that the accounts of the various battles of the Civil war were incorrect, and further that even accounts therein contained of the uses of war and of the rank partisan northern men and women. The continued use of Barnes' history in the schools of the south, when it has been pointed out by those who know, that the accounts of the various battles of the Civil war were incorrect, and further that even accounts therein contained of the uses of war and of the rank partisan northern men and women.

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the pupil is required to translate before it knows the derivations of the words. This seems to us an uphill business, and we cannot appreciate or understand this new method.

Trial of Chief Westbrook. Albany, Ga., Sept. 27.—The trial of Chief Westbrook took place on the sensational charges first preferred by Dr. L. C. Broughton, of Atlanta, in a sermon three months ago, and following which the preacher was cowarded by the chief, was concluded late this afternoon.

Of the seven specific charges preferred the chief is found guilty of two, viz: Drinking whisky on duty and in uniform and visiting bar rooms while on duty and loitering at such places. The commission imposed a fine of \$25.00 for each of these offenses and exonerated him on all other charges. Of the charge of assault on the minister the commissioners said:

"We find Chief Westbrook guilty of this charge, but in view of the peculiar circumstances justified him as a man in pursuing the course he did."

The verdict is regarded by Westbrook's friends as an exoneration, as he was not found guilty of any of the most serious charges. A feature of the fact that the development of the fact that Dr. Broughton does not have sufficient authority to charge as he claimed to have at the time he made his pulpit attack.

Buckley's Arnica Salve. Has world-wide fame for marvelous cures. It surpasses any other salve, ointment or balm for Cuts, Cancers, Burns, Boils, Sprains, Felons, Ulcers, Fetter, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Chapped Hands, Skin Eruptions, Inflammation of the Piles. Cure Quicker than any other. Sold at the Woods Drug Co. and Johnston Drug Store.

The South Carolina College. As the South Carolina college formerly opened its centennial session tomorrow, the boys have been ready being coming in and the 50 or 60 who are now here make the old campus very active and lively.

The attendance this year is expected to be unusually large. For the first time in years every room in the dormitories has been engaged for days before the opening.

A Blotch in Time. This old adage applies to disease as well as to dress. One dose of Rydale's Elixir is sure to cure a cold or an attack of Pneumonia or a Grippe and prevent their development. Keep a bottle of Rydale's Elixir in the house, so that "a blotch can be taken in time." T. S. Leltner.

Importance of Mukden. The mountain winter temperature in the mountain section of Manchuria, now occupied by the Russians and Japanese, is said to be 40 degrees below zero. The possession of Mukden is therefore of incalculable importance to both armies as a place for winter quarters, and both sides are going to fight desperately for the prize. The Russians, being now in possession and having had considerable time to strengthen the defenses, works, have a considerable advantage.—The State.

A Remarkable Record. Elliott's Emulsified Oil Liniment has made a remarkable record as a cure for stiffness of muscles and joints. It matters not whether the trouble was caused by a strain or strain, rheumatism or other causes. It will relieve the soreness and pain at once and soon reduce the swelling and remove the stiffness. Every bottle is guaranteed. Full list of prices, 25 cts. T. S. Leltner, Jr., 111 Chestnut St., Philadelphia, Pa.

A Boy's Wild Ride for Life. With family around expecting him to die, and a son riding for life, 18 miles, to get Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, W. H. Brown of Greenville, Ind., endured death's agonies from asthma; but this wonderful medicine gave instant relief and soon cured him. He writes: "I now sleep soundly every night. I like marvelous cures of Consumption, Pneumonia, Bronchitis, Coughs, Colds and Croup. It gives me the merit for all Throat and Lung troubles." Guaranteed bottles 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottles free at Johnston Drug Co., 111 Chestnut St., Philadelphia, Pa.

Use Home Grown Seed. One weakness of the farmer is to get his seed away from home. It is perfectly proper to test new varieties and to try seeds grown away from home in a different soil. But it is too great a risk to plant the entire crop from imported seed. Many new crops do well when they become accustomed to the soil and climate, yet when first introduced they make a somewhat feeble growth. The Southern cowpeas is gradually moving northward. Its sweet potato, sorghum cane and others of our most useful plants are natives of other climates and are excellent examples of the plastic nature of plants when grown under varying conditions, and of their peculiar habit of fitting themselves to a shorter season. The winter oat and crimson clover are rather new crops that bid fair to become acquainted and contented with northern climate. The seed corn should come from a neighboring farm, where it has been carefully grown and cared for, its habits and its record as a yielder are known. It is best to come from home, usually the northern grower is more satisfactory, because it is almost sure to mature its grain before frost. Southern seed spends much time and energy in growing stalk and foliage. Should the frost appear a little early an immature crop is harvested. The northern seed may grow a little ahead of the southern, but the grain is mature and every year the growing plant slowly fits itself to the longer growing season. Indianapolis News.

Items from Wyles Mill.

WYLES MILL, Sept. 30.—The farmers are almost through pulling fodder, and cotton is opening very fast.

Misses Willie and Lillie Cornell are visiting their uncle, Mr. F. A. Nunney.

Misses Viola Lewis and Laura Ferguson spent Friday night at Mrs. Carrie Nunney's.

Mr. Smith, of Georgia, is visiting his brother, Mr. J. M. Jordan, Misses Ella and Lottie Jordan spent Saturday night at Mrs. Nunney's.

Mr. Jess Pittman left the 24th for Greenville, where he will attend Purman University.

Mr. W. E. Simpson left the 15th for Uva West, where he will enter college.

Mr. D. H. Drum left for Kings Mountain Saturday to visit relatives. He is expected home tonight.

Messrs. Joe Henson and John Wesley Gibson spent yesterday with Mr. W. H. Smith.

Mr. D. H. Drum, Mrs. Martha and little Helen have gone to visit Mrs. Drum's mother, Mrs. Martha Barber.

Mr. O. A. Pittman is on the sick list this week.

Messrs. R. H. Ferguson and John Nunney went to Chester Thursday.

Christianity in Japan. There are about 200,000 Christians in Japan's population of 45,000,000. Their rate of growth is about four and a half per cent. per annum, the population increasing at the rate of one and a half per cent. Nearly all these Christians have been the result of foreign missionary establishments in which native Christians had but a very subordinate place. If the education of the Japanese in other respects had been conducted in the same manner, the nation would have sprung within a single generation to its present position of power and dignity.

When the growth of the church will have been largely committed to the Japanese themselves a very rapid increase may be expected. The positions held by those who are at the present time Christians is out of all proportion to their numbers.—Exchange.

Fearful Odds Against Him. Badridden, alone and destitute, such, in brief, was the condition of an old soldier by name of J. J. Haynes, Versailles, O. For years he was troubled with kidney disease and neither doctors nor medicines could cure him. At length he got Electric Bites. It put him on his feet in short order and now he testifies: "I'm on the road to complete recovery by means of the Liver and Kidney troubles and all forms of Stomach and Bowel Complaints. Only \$5.00. Guaranteed by the Woods Drug Co. and Johnston Drug Store."

Three Bales to the Acre. Mr. T. L. Lafitte, recently elected to the legislature from Bamberg county, was here yesterday. He stated that he never saw such crops as have been grown on the farm of Senator S. G. Mayfield this year. On one piece of 30 acres he thinks three bales to the acre will be produced. The limbs lay in six foot rows and on some stalks there are 175 bolls. Another patch of 50 acres will produce not less than 25 bolls. A few years ago this land would require about three acres to produce a bale. All of the crops in Bamberg county are good, and Mr. Lafitte says that with about five years more like this, the farmers of Georgia will be the best independent people in the world.—The State.

A History of Reconstruction. Mr. John Porter Hollis, of Chester, a recent fellow of Johns Hopkins, who is writing a history of reconstruction in South Carolina, is in Georgetown, S. C., filling temporarily the chair of history and economics in the Southwestern University. In a letter he says his history will be in the hands of the printer by October. This publication will only be a part of the history, the rest to follow as quickly as the material on hand can be put in shape. Columbia Car. News and Courier.

Bull Weevil. Covington, Ga., Sept. 27.—An insect epidemic of a bull weevil has been found in this county on the plantation of L. F. Duke, Charles G. Smith attached the insect to a microscopic examination and compared it to an enlarged picture of the bull weevil issued by the department of agriculture and he finds it to be practically identical with the one sent from Washington, D. C. and sent back. Savannah Daily News.

Use Home Grown Seed. One weakness of the farmer is to get his seed away from home. It is perfectly proper to test new varieties and to try seeds grown away from home in a different soil. But it is too great a risk to plant the entire crop from imported seed. Many new crops do well when they become accustomed to the soil and climate, yet when first introduced they make a somewhat feeble growth. The Southern cowpeas is gradually moving northward. Its sweet potato, sorghum cane and others of our most useful plants are natives of other climates and are excellent examples of the plastic nature of plants when grown under varying conditions, and of their peculiar habit of fitting themselves to a shorter season. The winter oat and crimson clover are rather new crops that bid fair to become acquainted and contented with northern climate. The seed corn should come from a neighboring farm, where it has been carefully grown and cared for, its habits and its record as a yielder are known. It is best to come from home, usually the northern grower is more satisfactory, because it is almost sure to mature its grain before frost. Southern seed spends much time and energy in growing stalk and foliage. Should the frost appear a little early an immature crop is harvested. The northern seed may grow a little ahead of the southern, but the grain is mature and every year the growing plant slowly fits itself to the longer growing season. Indianapolis News.

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