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THE RELATION OF YALE TO MEDICINE.*

On this fourth jubilee of Yale University, speaking, as I trust I may, in behalf of many hundreds of physicians who have received their liberal or professional education in this institution, I bring affectionate greetings to our alma mater, and offer our hearty congratulations on this happy anniversary. With all the sons of Yale we join in the prayer of President Stiles: ‘Peace be within thy walls, O Yale, and prosperity within thy palaces.’

Yale is related to medicine most directly through her medical department, but also through all who have studied here and subsequently practiced the art or cultivated the science of medicine. The Medical School, although the first department added to the College, was not established until over a hundred years after the foundation of the Collegiate School at Saybrook. From the beginning, however, graduates of the College are to be found in the ranks of medical practitioners, and any account of the relation of Yale to medicine would be most incomplete without some consideration of the alumni of the eighteenth century who were physicians. Their history makes a large part of the medical history of Connecticut during that century, but it is not limited to this State.

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