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Possibilities Presented the Young Man of Today.

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Mr. President, members of the societies, ladies and gentlemen:

Perhaps it would not be counted seemly in one still in the flush of early youth to offer advice or even presume to give instruction to others scarcely less youthful than himself, for it has been but a few brief years since I, as a student of this institution, wore that cherished uniform of cadet gray and took part in the forensic battles waged with such vigor in your society halls. Still, I may be permitted, at this time, to consider the attitude of a young man just entering upon the responsibilities of a broader life, to note his hopes and fears, his prospects and ambitions, and find inspiration for myself, and those whom I have the honor to address, in the