

In Memoriam

Cadwallader C. Washburn, LL. D.

STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY, July 25, 1882.—Gen. Simeon Mills, one of the vice-presidents, in the chair, who announced the object of the meeting—to pay a suitable tribute of respect to the memory of the late Hon. C. C. Washburn, LL. D., for nearly six years past the president of the Society.

Gen. David Atwood arose, and presented the following sketch of the life and character of Cadwallader C. Washburn.

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the State Historical Society:

New England has produced a large number of men of strong convictions, sterling integrity, of uncompromising patriotism, of inflexible devotion to freedom and the equality of man; and it has been liberal in the peopling of States and Territories outside of its own limits, with a substantial class of citizens who have done valuable service in shaping the character of the new States. They have carried into the new country the habits of industry, frugality and morality, inherited from the Puritan Fathers, with such improvements as have been gained in several generations by experience, and from the superior educational facilities afforded in that section of the country. In the vast numbers of people that New England has sent into other parts of our Union, there have been few, if any, in the great Northwest, who more fully represented, in their every day action the sturdy qualities—mentally, physically, and morally—of these New England Puritans, than did the Hon. Cadwallader C. Washburn, whose many virtues of head and heart we now meet to commemorate, and whose death to mourn! This distin-