

and the generous breadth of his political views, as well as his innate modesty—all indicate his eminent fitness for the highest positions in the gift of the people, whether in his own State or in connection with the Federal government. Indeed, he has often been most strongly urged to accept the nomination for Governor of New York—his native State—and has, as many times, sorely disappointed his warm and enthusiastic personal and political friends, by declining—and this too, where, with his high character and popularity, a nomination was tantamount to an election. He is also a member of all the various literary, social, political and civic associations of the day. Of these among many others may be mentioned: President of the Saratoga Monument Association, member of the New England Society, the Holland Society, the St. Nicholas Society, the New York Chamber of Commerce, the New York Produce Exchange, the Arion Society, the New York Riding Club—of which his son-in-law, Hon. Howard Carroll, is president,—the Lawyers' Club, the Down Town Association of New York city, the Saturday Nights' Club, the Arthur Memorial Association, Knight Templar of the Utica Commandery, honorary member of the Oneida Historical Society, the New Rochelle Yacht Club, New York State Agricultural Society, National Association of Horse Breeders, Montgomery County Agricultural Society, New York Jockey Club, American Legion of Honor, Albany Burgesses Corps, the Starin Benevolent Industrial Association of Fultonville and Fonda, N. Y.; American Museum of Natural History, New York; New York Athletic Club. He is also a trustee of