

so well endowed with such learned academies and whose eminence is greatly due to the widely-known ability of its President.

He expressed his deep gratitude for the honor, for the large assembly present, and the very opportune call to the family for its appropriate commemoration.

But at the same time he hoped that its auspicious advent should not be left wholly to the formal proceedings of this meeting and the platform addresses, however able and interesting; but that this memorable occasion should be the signal and lasting fraternal bond, that, with its magnetic force, shall indissolubly unite the whole of this great American detached army of the vast old English main body of our race.

For the same reasons as with the more extended address of Hon. Aug. C. Dodge, we are obliged to condense its substance.

The Chairman next called upon Major-General GRENVILLE M. DODGE, of Council Bluffs, Iowa, who, on his introduction, expressed his profound acknowledgments, but declined any extended remarks.

This justly distinguished member of our family, whose public career has been so eloquent of renown, is a native of Peabody (formerly Rowley), Mass., of the same branch as the mother of the late great benefactor, *George Peabody*. From the village academy, and its slight military training; in his profession as civil engineer he was in the West, engaged in railroad construction, when the Rebellion broke upon the nation. With Grant, he at once offered his life and services to the country, and, with him, he fought at Island No. 10, Fort Donelson, Shiloh, Pittsburgh Landing, ever