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overcoming periods of debility, and acute attacks of impecuniosity associated with low spirits. Friendships have been made, not only among ourselves but with kindred spirits throughout the world, and it can justifiably be claimed that the Society has become an institution respected and accepted in medico-historical circles both in Britain and overseas. As to the future, we must always remember the efforts of those who have gone before us, and hold their enthusiasm, their erudition, and their true dedication as a lamp to lighten our onward path.

As a memento of these thirty years Dr. Tait presented the Society with an album containing the photographs of the presidents from its foundation.

H. P. Tait, *President*

N. H. Gordon, *Hon. Secretary*

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*We regret to record the death of Dr. F. N. L. Poynter on 11 March 1979. Dr. Poynter was Director of the Wellcome Institute for the History of Medicine from 1964 until his retirement in 1973, and Editor of Medical History from 1961 to 1973. An obituary will be published in the July issue.*