

established a partnership with Dr. Stewart, an eminent physician. He decided to come to this Coast, being called to the Chair of Anatomy in the California Medical College in 1831, and filled this position four years. In 1836 he was appointed Professor of Principles and Practice of Surgery, which chair he has since filled with great credit. As a general operating and consulting surgeon he has shown extraordinary skill and ability. Facial and physical deformities he has given special care to, and with great success. He is highly esteemed by his patients, and great confidence is reposed in him, for he is noted for the care and zeal which he exercises in his treatment. Gentle and sympathetic to the afflicted, he at once wins their gratitude, and they have confidence in him. He has been a member of the State Eclectic Medical Society for fourteen years. For two years he was secretary of it, and he was also president for two years. He has been a delegate to the National Eclectic Medical Association for the past fourteen years. He is ex-President of the San Francisco County Society of Physicians and Surgeons. For thirteen years he has been a member of the Board of Examiners of the State Eclectic Medical Society, and secretary for eleven years. He is also secretary of the Board of Trustees of the California Medical College.

Dr. Gere is also a member of California Lodge, No. 1, F. and A. M., and was honored by being one of the youngest masters of a lodge in this country.

There seems to be a happy combination in the physical development, high intellectuality and comprehensive mind that has given the subject of this sketch unusual advantages in the manly struggle he has made in his profession. His life has been one of incessant toil from early youth, and by his own exertions he has placed himself in the foremost ranks as a skillful surgeon and successful practitioner. Nature fashioned him in a mould of attractiveness, and his ancestry, with a laudable ambition, and a high moral standard of rectitude, has given him a place among the disciples of Esculapius second to none on the Pacific Coast; and his scientific achievements as a specialist in chronic diseases has given him a national reputation.

His temperament is ardent, his nature sanguine, and his disposition generous and charitable. Bitterness, rancor or hate finds no lodgment in his breast. He is a live man *par excellence*, and has a pride in his profession. He has been a close student, traveled extensively, studying nature, gathering information from the faculty and his ripe experience in chemistry, medical and surgical pathology. With almost an intuitive knowledge in the mysteries of disease, we can justly claim him as one of the successful, highly respected and noted physicians of our commonwealth.