

Mary Therese McCarthy, Bachelor of Arts of Vassar College; novelist, essayist, journalist, critic, whose specialty is the folly of mankind whether in our Groves of Academe or in the lives of those groups who leave us on occasions such as this; spare in her use of words, but unsparing in her expectations for us; a witty enemy to pretense, a champion of good sense and decency; a universally respected figure in American arts and letters; it is especially felicitous that this neighbor from Castine should join her husband in the ranks of Bowdoin alumni.

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