



HON. M. N. McKUSICK OF CALAIS.

WHEN you go hence, up to Calais, pray exercise due care;
 And seize a fit occasion when this gentleman is there,
 For you'll find it very lucky, If you've business you would do,
 If you have his large assistance to help you put it thru.
 Five times he's been the mayor of this hustling border town;
 Postmaster and Collector—he has held both places down;
 While all who've sat in council, underneath the State House dome
 Know how well McKusick's labored for the city of his home.
 There's a lesson in successes of a man who's made his way
 In the face of opposition to a better, brighter day,
 And I find the quick solution to the question "How they win"
 In the talents and the genius and the perseverance grim
 And the energy of purpose that persist to manliness—
 These, at least, have made the measure of McKusick's marked success.