

the edifice is designed. Thus will the entire building rise in graceful grandeur and commodious usefulness. Storms shake it not; the rains of heaven pierce it not through; frost and cold stay at the threshold: because the workmanship was good, and the material faultless. So, too, must our teachers of youth train themselves to fulfill their high position in life; so, too, will a benefited people avoid the many evils consequent on imperfect education.

I have now arrived at the conclusion of my remarks — remarks which must necessarily have tired your patience as much in listening to, as my vocal organs in delivering. I thank you for the favor of your marked attention throughout. No one is more sensible than myself of the continued violation I have made, during the whole course of my observations to-day, of the rule which I was laying down for your guidance, namely, that whatever is done ought to be well done. No one, then, can be more grateful for the forbearance you have shown; but I ask you to forget the defects of the lecture in the magnitude of the subject, and to appreciate the good will, where the actual performance deserves reprobation.

Located amongst you, I consider your powers of discerning the true, the just, and the beautiful, as not the least charm of your society; connected with the literary institution which opens to-day, I solicit your attention to its progress; and allow me here, as one of its professors, in presence of its learned originator, and most munificent patron; in presence of more than one that has already participated in the benefits it confers; in presence of many who yet hope to taste the sweet draughts of Helicon within its classic portals; in presence of all you that know

“ ——— ingenuas didicisse fideliter artes
Emollit mores, nec sinit esse ferus,”

to avow the resolve of myself and my colleagues in the work, that the maxims I have endeavored to elucidate shall, with the help of God, be the distinctive feature of scholastic training in St. Francis Xavier's College.

THE END.