

college and faculty societies and entertainments, speaking to them in the group, or one by one. To me their presence was always a tonic, and they seemed as glad to talk to me as I was to talk to them. But, of course, the awful days were those black years of the War. How were we able in Convocation Hall to press upon those hopeful lads their duty to take up a challenge with death, urging the sons of others while we ourselves remained at home? Yet some vicarious suffering we did go through, for to live in empty halls was in itself a daily reminder of those who were in the hell of the trenches, or tossing on stormy and undermined seas. With the War my own youthful world came to an end, and never since have I felt that I was as near to the undergraduate as I used to be. It has been a distinct loss to me to find that I have drifted away from them. But the coming of Mr. Bickersteth to Hart House, and in the Athletic wing the work of Mr. Reed, with their associates have realised splendidly the prayer of its founders, so that to-day the privileges of our youth are matched by its quality. What we should have done without that superb gift and what it has meant to us I cannot venture to estimate. To a large extent the women also in the college unions under the lead of excellent ladies have enjoyed unusual advantages, though I regret much that I shall not see, before I retire, the greatly needed centre for the athletic and social activities for the women students of the whole University.

The city of Toronto has done less for the support of the University than is warranted by the privileges she has conferred upon its citizens and the prestige she has