

Athens," and its early teachers brought to Canada the methods of the sagacious Whytt and the philosophic Cullen as well as the spirit embodied in that wonderful academic succession furnished by the celebrated families of Gregory and Monro.

To one conning the memorials of your early past, it is a source of much interest to be able to trace the homes of medicine in this great Dominion. Thus it is that the drawing of the General Hospital, as it was in 1839, in "Hochelaga depicta" is to me full of interest, while the painting by Lamb of Burnside House, showing how it nestled at the foot of the mountain, in 1843, furnishes a historic link in the academic chain.

It would be tedious to you, who know the various steps by which the University grew from its picturesque birthplace at Burnside, till it finally reached the superb site it now holds near the old home of its founder, to follow the various steps; to those, like myself, pilgrims from the mother land, there is a fascination in tracing out the successive stages of its development, and in recognizing how similar the mode has been to that which may be seen in the old world. In the course of this development it is a very agreeable fact that the academic ties with the old country are becoming closer instead of weaker.

Without dealing with such as unite Montreal to the Universities of the rest of the United Kingdom, a word or two may be allowed as to the present links between Canada and Scotland. Your Chancellor holds a like position in the Northern University, situated between the Dee and the Don; there, as here, he has so fostered the growth of learning and inquiry as to merit the title of a modern Mæcenas. That many years may yet be vouchsafed to him in which he may continue his beneficent endeavours for the advancement of education is a prayer as frequently and as fervently offered on the shores of the North Sea, as on the slopes of the Mountain. And in this connection let me add that the kinsman and colleague of your Chancellor, who along with him not only founded and endowed the beautiful Victoria Hospital, but aided the development of the McGill University by munificent gifts, must be likewise regarded as a large-hearted benefactor on both sides of the Atlantic.

It is impossible to resist the impulse to make some reference in this place to the noble gifts of your most sincere friend, Sir William Macdonald, who has not only manifested his interest in the University by donations which are more than princely, but has also devoted his time and energies to the personal direction of many improvements which his generosity has made possible. The erection and equipment of magnificent laboratories, and the foundation and endowment of additional chairs are sufficient evidence of his beneficent exertions, but even these