

Professor Dyde in defending Queen's as an independent University said, "The loss of Queen's to Ontario would not be simply the loss of land, staff and endowment, but the extinction of a type which could not be compensated for by any enlargement of Toronto University on however generous scales." Dr. Adam Shortt declared, "All forms of educational monopoly and stereotyping are fatal to the spirit of alertness and expectation which must characterize a progressive civilisation."

The nation needs just such a University as McMaster and Christian people other than Baptists might very well render it generous support.

III. THE LESSONS OF THE PAST FOR THE PRESENT.

1. The Past warns us against virulent discussion on points which may be important but not essential to the distinct existence of our denomination; against the dry rot of invincible indifference; against the distrust of our colleges which is often the result of ill-founded rumour; against the jealousy which is sometimes displayed over executive control being largely centralized in some city or town; against a narrow conception of a denomination's mission; against the attempt to escape the responsibilities of agency by saying that the Lord will provide leaders.

2. The Past challenges us to width of view, to depth of conviction, to great self-sacrifice, to consistency of action, to consecrated effort, to universal interest.

3. The policy we are pursuing in Christian college education at home is similar to the policy which missionaries have found they must pursue in foreign missions if their work is to be placed on a firm foundation and perpetuate itself. The missions with Christian schools are the missions which are outstripping the others. The Baptist missionaries formulated a report in which they said, "Every one of your missionaries has come to feel profoundly that no lasting foundations can be laid for the work which you have sent them to do without such Christian scholarship as can be acquired only in schools of their own faith."

4. In the present also we find that we have not exhausted our mandate respecting the right relation of Church to State. Dr. John Clifford, the veteran exponent of our principles in Britain, says, "The functions of Church and State must be kept apart, in control, in cost, in every way. Let the churches do their own work at their own cost and as they will, and the citizens do theirs in their own way and at their cost and without the interference of the churches. That is the only way to educational efficiency, social harmony and national progress."