

such as ours at Guelph, and British Columbia would, perhaps, erect and equip a School of Mines.

If the City Councils and Boards of Trade of the Provinces were to take this matter up I cannot believe that any Government would refuse the request.

The provinces have limited, narrowly prescribed sources of revenue, and primary education of itself makes great demands on them. The Dominion Government should undertake the work of technical education, and is abundantly able to do it.

A specially attractive feature, Mr. Chairman, of schools such as this is the regular attendance of considerable numbers of adults, men and women, taking special courses. The fact of their so doing is a proof of their industry, desire for self-improvement, and an ambition to do good work. To them I would address the eloquent words of Dr. Creighton, Lord Bishop of London :

“The point at which knowledge will cease to make a man a better wage-earner may soon be reached ; but the point at which it will cease to make him a better man and a happier man will never be reached. And to find perpetual sources of new interest in one’s daily work, to feel a constantly increasing demand on one’s intelligence and a growing development of one’s powers of observation,—this is of incalculable advantage to the progress of industrial life.”