

She has a large and highly important section of Canada for her own special constituency, and so far has for six decades faithfully and well, and often under disadvantages by no means small, discharged her duties to the people of that section; and I rejoice also to know to the rapidly increasing numbers of people who live outside of this special section.

In this exceedingly progressive country we cannot doubt that with such a record as Queen's University has already made for herself by so many years of most creditable work, she is sure in the future to have an even more rapidly increasing prosperity than in the past.

I am familiar with the history of your University, and have with great interest watched her progress under a good many of her successive principals, *all* of whom were good and useful men, who each in his day did his best to enhance her reputation and to secure for her a deeper place in the affections of the people by increasing her usefulness.

The celebrations of to-day and of the remaining days of the week prove how well they succeeded in doing this.

I have time only to refer briefly to our late able and greatly lamented Principal, the Rev. Dr. Grant. He lived for his University, which he loved with his whole heart. He labored incessantly for her interests, and I am very sure, for I know something of what the intense anxiety regarding, and interest in, the welfare of one's own institution means to a faithful and earnest Principal, that he often spent many hours of the night, when he should have been taking much needed perfect quiet and rest in sleep, in devising means whereby Queen's interests could perhaps be better promoted, in addition to the many plannings for her good that he was busy carrying out. Every year's work, indeed every day's work, he was spared to do, and it was always done thoroughly and enthusiastically, shewed how completely his noble, and to him delightful, duties formed part of his very being. A very able man, as Principal Grant undoubtedly was, working as hard and as constantly as he did for his University, and always with high because entirely unselfish motives, could not be otherwise than successful in a