

GENERAL'S REPLY.

When the enthusiastic applause which followed the ceremony of the presentation had subsided, Sir Arthur Currie stated that no tribute he had ever received could be more highly valued than that mark of confidence and esteem from the officers who had served with him in the Corps. There they knew each other simply as men who were actuated by one common motive and high ideal. To save country and Empire was their one thought and as the gravity of the conflict dawned upon them that thought deepened, especially when they realized all the horrible nature of the enemy's character and the way in which it jeopardized all that civilization stood for, the triumph of might over right if the Germans should succeed. For them, under such circumstances, it was necessary that all of British race should be in the battle line. It was a battle for a great cause, one that brought out the solidarity of Empire and in its train brought to Canada the consciousness of nationhood. The soldiers overseas had been proud of the part they were able to play and of the victories that had been theirs, and they were all the prouder because they felt they had the support of those at home.

The problems of today, continued General Currie, were grave and difficult in many respects, but broached in a spirit of goodwill and tolerance and sympathy, and by the same ideals as actuated them overseas, there was no reason why they should not find a solution, and in this there was ample room for those who had fought the country's battles overseas to show similar courage at home. X

X Touching on McGill University, General Currie drew a parallel between the organization that was necessary in the army and for the work connected with an institution of such national importance and connections. Organization had played a great part in the Canadian Corps and its benefits could be equally applied to a great educational institution.

TEXT OF ADDRESS.

The address presented to General Currie was as follows:

To General Sir Arthur William Currie, G.C.M.G., K.C.B., LL.D., late commander Canadian Corps:

"Now at the conclusion of hostilities and the approaching proclamation of a much-desired peace, we, the undersigned officers of the Canadian forces engaged in the great struggle for the liberty of civilization, wish to place on record our sincere gratitude for and whole-hearted appreciation of the signal and import-