

produced by the present conflict, of those bonds that unite the different parts of the empire: the recent reverses have kindled a patriotism not only at home, but in every colony and dependency of the Mother country, which was lacking or dormant in the days of prosperity. God grant that these bonds of sympathy of which we have lately had such signal proofs, may continue to strengthen long after the present troubles are over and may produce an abiding federation of all the scattered members of the British Empire.

And, brethren, preaching before this University, I cannot but remind you how closely we are connected with the present war. One of our recent graduates, one whom many of you know intimately, has been honoured by being appointed Chaplain to the first Canadian Contingent. I know of no more responsible work in Christ's Church at the present time than that which our brother has been called to perform. Several hundred soldiers on active service look to him for spiritual guidance: it is his privilege to minister to them the sacraments of the Church, to comfort the sick and wounded with the consolations of religion, to prepare the dying for the more immediate presence of their Lord and Saviour, yes and to strengthen all under his care in a more important warfare than that against earthly foes, the battle between good and evil in the heart of man. Surely it is our duty both in our public and private devotions to remember our brother, to intercede to God for him, that the Holy Spirit may inspire and sustain him in the trials, the difficulties, the responsibilities, the privileges of his all important work.

And for ourselves, God grant that the intercessions of this day may lead us to lay aside all sinful pride and worldly confidence, to rededicate ourselves in simple faith to the service of our Master, so that whatever work God may have in store for us, we may be enabled to follow him faithfully, and "endure hardness as good soldier: of Jesus Christ."

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## WOMAN IN MATHEMATICS.

The idea that woman is the lesser man has during these latter days been put to the test and in almost all cases she is vindicating her right (potentially at least) to be called not his inferior but his equal. In the professions, in science, in the fine arts her march has been an increasing triumph; until the idea of inferiority has antiquated and in its place is arising the juster one of Equality. Tennyson's statement is possibly poetical but it is no longer true.

But examples of women of genius occur in ages of the world other than the present. The paradox which in ancient times allowed such the