

Do we apprehend the full significance of that resolution? Let us see. We have in the Chancellor a visible Head of the University. He presides in the deliberations of the Senate, sits as Chairman in the meetings of the Faculty, teaches in the class-room, and has the freedom of every class and the oversight of every department. His wishes and plans go far toward shaping our policy; his character and spirit will largely become the character and spirit of the University. He is the Head, and we all recognize his right to a say in everything pertaining to the life and work of the colleges. But, as is best in all things human, his is a limited monarchy. He counsels with his brethren. But over him and over us all we have formally and solemnly installed Christ as our absolute Lord and Head. In every gathering of the Governors, in all the deliberations of the Senate, He, the unseen Head, is to be recognized, His voice heard, His plans adopted, His slightest wish crystallized into statute. In all the meetings of the Faculties His presence must be known, each mind and heart must turn to Him, seeking His wisdom and resolved to do His will. And so in the class-rooms and in every department and detail of our work His must be the controlling mind, His the informing spirit.

To this we are solemnly committed. To carry it out may, nay doubtless will, involve leaving many a well-beaten path and entering ways but little trodden, as was pointed out by Professor Trotter, the mover of the Guelph resolution. Humanly speaking, it is no easy task. If the world, the flesh and the devil conspire against the individual Christian, they may be counted on to oppose a Christian University with all its untold possibilities for good. The courteous overtures of the world, the pleading self-indulgence of the flesh, and the subtle deceptions of the Master Mind of Evil must be met and vanquished. It means perpetual vigilance at a hundred points. We need divine insight and wisdom, strength and courage, glowing zeal and unflinching faith in our Lord, if, in the conflict, victory is to be ours. If this University is to fulfil its mission in this age all of us who help to mould its life must seek to be filled with the Holy Ghost and with faith, to have Christ's thoughts written on our minds, and to have our hearts touched into a passion of sympathy with Him and His great purposes of grace for the world.