

all that is going on at the Professor's platform. Such students may get into a lazy habit of stopping at and noting things that strike or startle them; they may be satisfied with what amuses, pleases, attracts them, and they may think it is all right, and that nothing more is necessary. Yet they are using only their fancy, developing a side of their mind, in perhaps the least perfect way they can. To them the trashy newspaper, the pretentious magazine, and the light novel become the source of knowledge and inspiration. Things are different with the student who uses his judgment. He makes it his first and capital duty, in sporting parlance, to tackle the subjects marked in the curriculum for his form. He tackles them all, and he tackles them low; that is, he goes beneath the surface ideas. He observes carefully, examines actively, compares judiciously, verifies strictly. He renders no verdict till he has thoroughly mastered the chosen subject by means of steady and concentrated thought. Students of this class are, unhappily, rare, but they need little surveillance and little urging. Their progress towards the beacon of true learning, at first sure, by and by becomes rapid. Not only are such students to be found at the head of their classes, but they are to be seen lending valuable services to the Scientific Society, to the Debating Club, and on the editorial staff of THE REVIEW.

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#### "CANADA" AT THE WASHINGTON BANQUET.

I desire to tender to your Club, on behalf of your fellow Canadian students, their sincerest thanks for the honour you have done them, in placing the name of Canada upon the toast list of your annual banquet. And I desire, moreover, to convey to you their best wishes for the prosperity of your club, and to give you assurance that they heartily join with you in honouring the name of that great statesman and general, George Washington, to whom they are as much indebted as you for the free institutions that the American continent enjoys.

You all know that Canada is a different country from what it was thought to be some score of years ago. It is no longer pictured as a barren land, or a land of continual ice and snow. That idea has completely vanished. Canada to-day is what your land was a century ago—a land of great promise. And while we are possessed of natural resources, at least as rich as yours, we enjoy the additional