

Could these wants be made known to the public, and the reasons clearly set forth, showing the true benevolence of such giving, I believe in a very short time means would be forthcoming. With the increasing subjects for study, I can see in the near future the necessity for an extension of time. What could have been accomplished by an average student in my day, and since then, in four years, will soon require five, and then the aspirant with limited means, however diligent and intelligent, will have to seek some other and less congenial field of labour. Science will be thereby a loser, and whatever is a loss to science is a loss to the world. Two or three liberal scholarships are much needed in this school for the foregoing reasons, and the men who establish them will be doing as much for their fellow-creatures as those who build large hospitals or stately universities. In this connection I cannot, because my heart is so full of it, refrain from alluding to a subject I have spoken of before, in public, on several occasions. The alumni of this University, from the east to the west and from the north to the southmost part of this continent, are anxious to do something to immortalize the memory of a man who, from his boyhood till his death, as student, demonstrator, teacher and Dean of the Faculty of Medicine, performed every duty with a zealous singleness of purpose and success that characterized the individual and made Robert Palmer Howard respected and beloved. Those of us who enjoyed his personal friendship know that some living memorial constantly furthering the interests of McGill and her students would alone afford him pleasure in its contemplation.

Now I know full well that the endowment of a Chair means the subscription of, at least, \$50,000, and that such a sum cannot readily be obtained from a class of men who, as a rule, have little more than they actually need. But McGill has friends. The Chair of Pathology ought to be endowed. Let us at once make a nucleus. Let us draw the attention of the large-hearted public to the philanthropy of such a scheme. Let it be known as the "Howard Memorial Endowment," and I will venture to say the appeal will not be in vain. An important chair will be endowed, and an honour done to the memory of a great and good man.

To return to the line of thought I was pursuing. You have