

Sandford Fleming's reference to Sir John Evans' playful aside when the Minister of Education was talking federation and friendly relations.

The number of guests invited by Convocation was small and consisted only of Sir Sandford Fleming, the Honourable A. S. Hardy, Premier of Ontario, the Principal of the Normal School, the Principals of Trinity College School, Bishop Ridley College, and of Upper Canada College, and Messrs. MacMurchy, Embree, and Spotton, Headmasters of the three city Collegiate Institutes, while the Dean of University College came as Professor Mackenzie's guest. Dr. J. J. MacLaren represented the undergraduates of McGill and Mr. O. Mowat Biggar those of Toronto.

The toast list, which was shorter than usual, included "The Queen," "Trinity," "Our Guests," "The Ladies," "Sister Universities," "College Institutions," and "The Freshmen." The Chancellor presided and proposed the first toast, which was drunk with all the loyalty and enthusiasm which characterize Trinity men. "Trinity" was proposed by Sir Sandford Fleming and responded to by the Provost, both of whose speeches are summarized later on. Dr. Geikie also spoke ardently to this toast. The Chairman of Convocation proposed "Our Guests," which was responded to by Dr. MacLaren and Dr. Parkin, whom we are always glad to welcome to Trinity. Mr. Reginald Temple proposed "The Ladies," for whom Mr. Glyn Osler replied, making a rhetorical pause which brought down the house—"The ladies of my day could not be surpassed, but those I see before me can ———"! "Sister Universities" was well handled by Mr. Newbold Jones and elicited from Mr. Biggar an exceedingly witty and complimentary response. "College Institutions" was proposed by Mr. Gladwyn Macdougall and was responded to by Mr. Henry Osborne in a characteristically good speech. Mr. Duncan Campbell tendered the Freshmen timely advice as to keeping terms and avoiding the Executive Committee, and Mr. Nevitt, Head of the First Year, returned becomingly humble thanks.

SIR SANDFORD FLEMING'S SPEECH.

Sir Sandford said he had always had a high esteem for Trinity, for its Chancellor, and for its Alumni. He knew that he would meet at the table some of his oldest and dearest friends. The Chancellor's valued friendship extended back more than forty years and the speaker's recollections of Trinity went even further back. He had taken part in the ceremony of laying the foundation stone of the building some forty-five years ago. The conspicuous figure on that occasion was the venerable prelate, his countryman, Bishop Strachan, whose untiring efforts did so much to initiate this now famous seat of learning. He had another claim to make in connection with Trinity. His old friend, the architect, Mr. Kivas Tully, had asked him to design a silver trowel to be used by the Bishop in laying the foundation-stone. He remembered the trowel. It was in the form of a maple leaf and was adorned by the introduction about the handle of shamrocks, roses, and thistles. The toast of prosperity to Trinity he would call the toast of the evening and he wished it had fallen into hands more able to do it justice.

A reference to pleasant memories existing, and which always should exist, between Trinity and Queen's, brought to his mind the recent conferring of honorary degrees on several very distinguished men who had taken part in the meeting of the British Association. He had been honoured with a seat next to the President, Sir John Evans. The Minister of Education in his address quoted from the cxxxiii. Psalm, "Behold how good and how pleasant a thing it is for brethren to dwell together in unity." Immediately Sir John Evans had whispered in his ear, "still better in Trinity." Like Sir John, he found it good and pleasant to come together in Trinity. Long may the friends of that institution, in constantly increasing numbers,

come together as on the present occasion. May Trinity University advance as the Dominion advances, may it prosper more and more as the years roll by.

THE PROVOST'S REPLY.

The Provost, in reply, first thanked Sir Sandford and expressed the pleasure of Convocation and of the faculty at having present so distinguished a guest. Looking back over the past year, he was pleased, he said, to be able to say that the personnel of the staff remained unchanged. The numbers in attendance at the College were smaller this year than last, a fact explained by the new Divinity regulation. The entry was larger this year than last. The College was feeling the return of better times. Though slightly inferior in quantity, the present body of students were not inferior in quality to those of other years. The work of the College did not depend on the number of its students, for if its ideals were set high enough and persevered in, its influence for culture and education would be felt far beyond the College walls. He emphasized the fact that Trinity was not a merely theological college, but was a university. The ideals of Trinity were to provide education, comprehensive, scientific, and religious, with allegiance to the Church with which it was identified. He was proud in every sense of the word to carry on the work, and its advantages were available by those of every class and creed. But Trinity was a Church University, the standard of the divinity of the Church, the College along those lines offering to all the advantages of education, while adhering to their own standards of thought and faith.

LIBRARY NOTES.

The Copp, Clark Co. (Limited) has sent in Ward's Selections from Valerius Maximus, Auden's Cicero's Pro Milone, Webb's Selections from Wordsworth, and Houghton's Edition of Michaud's La Première Croisade.

Mr. Robert Gilmour presented through the Chancellor Diogenes Laertius: De Vita et Moribus Philosophorum; the Reverend Dr. Langtry, a set of the Relations des Jésuites; the Reverend Dr. Crockett, of Baltimore, The Condition of Our Lord's Life on Earth; the Queen's Printer, Ottawa, The Dominion Statutes, Vol. I and II, 1896-7; Mr. James H. R. Warren, The Method and Order of Reading both Civil and Ecclesiastical Histories (London, 1710); the Reverend Ralph Sadler, The Apocalypse of St. John done into Modern English.

The Synod Reports of the Dioceses of Huron, Niagara, and Ottawa for 1897 have been received, as well as the Calendar of the University of Toronto and of the Ontario Medical College for Women, A Digest of the Ontario Game and Fishing Laws by Mr. A. H. O'Brien '87, Merck's Index for 1896, and the Toronto Public Library's Bibliography of Browning.

Volume 52 of the Dictionary of National Biography, Volume 33, Part II, of Corpus Scriptorum Ecclesiasticorum Latinorum, and Volume 10 of Wetzer and Welti's Kirchenlexicon have been added to the Library.

Dr. Bourinot will give a lecture in Convocation Hall, on Friday, December 3rd, at 4 p.m., on "The Loyalist Makers of Canada, Their Devotion, Sufferings and Influence."

Graduates and others interested are requested to send in to the Editors of the Year Book, as soon as possible, whatever corrections they may wish to have made. A good many have not returned their slips yet.

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