

## BACHELOR OF DIVINITY.

For several years past considerable interest has been manifested in the laurcating of the gentlemen who in the opinion of the Senate are deserving of distinction. But this year Knox College made no addition to the lists of D.Ds. This is to her credit, and it is to be hoped that in these days of cheap degrees Knox College will hold her honours far above the crowd of scrambling seekers after recognition. But the degree of B.D. is open to all who can pass the prescribed examinations. This year Rev. W. H. Jamieson, Garden Hill, passed the first examination, and Rev. John McGillivray, B.A., Montreal, the second. Mr. MacGillivray was a member of the class of '87, and was known both in the University and in Knox as a diligent and successful student, and the B.D. hood which Principal Caven placed upon his shoulders marks the quality of his work since graduation.

## THE SPEECHES.

We cannot recall all the speeches, but the speakers stand out clearly against a good background. Rev. Dr. Fletcher, Hamilton, addressed words of wise counsel to the graduating class sitting before him in the front seat in St. James' Square church, on Thursday evening. His hearty, fervent appeal to his young brethren to keep close to God went to their hearts, refreshing as a breath from the heathery hills. Sir Daniel Wilson spoke better than usual and emphasized, what we have heard from him on other occasions, the necessity for a thoroughly educated ministry in this age of superficial criticism and scientific smattering. Neither Sir Daniel nor Dr. Fletcher occupied much time, giving place to Rev. Principal Grant, of Queen's University, Kingston, Moderator of the General Assembly.

One always listens with pleasure to Principal Grant, even when his speech does not commend itself. There is a depth and fulness in his voice, its sound is like the sea. It is subdued and gentle as the murmur of the wind among the old pines on a Highland crag, or bold and inspiring as the war-cry of his own ancestral clan in the brave days of yore, "Stand fast, Craig Ellachic!" His subject on Closing Day was itself inspiring—John Knox. He did well to urge young Knox men to study