

unsaid, and have to ask that these omissions be forgiven; but I want to say that in coming here in answer to your call, I come with the purpose of giving all my strength and the remaining years that God may grant me to advance the welfare and prosperity of 'good old Queen's.'"

The Principal's speech was followed by long-continued and enthusiastic applause, the audience finally rising to their feet and giving three hearty cheers for Dr. Gordon.

The singing of the doxology and the benediction, pronounced by Rev. John Mackie, brought to a close the proceedings in connection with this deeply interesting and historic event.

#### THE NEW SONG BOOK.

A CONSIDERABLE sensation was recently caused within the four walls of the old Arts building by the appearance of a notice which seemed to be a centre of universal attraction. Upon closer examination it was found that the aforesaid document contained some very welcome and interesting information which has been looked forward to for some time (we will not specify exactly how long) to the effect that the new Queen's song-book was ready to emerge out of the hazy realm of potentiality and assume the proportions of a realized fact. It is with pleasure that we learn that the committee who have had the matter in charge have been able to find rest from their labors, and we feel confident that the result of their endeavors will prove a worthy reward for the time and energy they have expended in its compilation.

In the somewhat unconventional language of one of the characters of the immortal 'bard of Avon' "comparisons are odorous," and it is always a more or less delicate task to single out for special mention any particular member of a committee or which all the members have done their utmost to make their united undertaking a success. And we believe that in the present instance no one who was entrusted with any share in the responsibility of producing a creditable song-book has ever failed in his duty. However, we cannot but feel that, notwithstanding all the credit due to the several other members of the committee, special thanks are due Mr. N. R. Carmichael for his untiring zeal and the unselfish service he has rendered in this connection, and we feel that a large measure of the success that is sure to follow their efforts will be due to his personal interest and care.

At the present time we are unable to give any details as to the internal construction of what we are certain will prove a most welcome addition to the musical branch of our College requirements, but it has been suggested (and we hope the idea will be carried out) that a concise review of its contents should appear in a subsequent issue of the JOURNAL.

The price of the song-book, we are informed, is seventy-five cents for ordinary binding, and one dollar for cloth.

Graduates and others desiring copies may obtain same by communicating with Mr. N. R. Carmichael, Queen's University, as the committee are responsible for the disposal of the first one thousand copies issued.