

honors. It is by Her Majesty's special permission that we bear her title. Her Majesty and the Prince of Wales and the British Government have on this occasion again and again conferred gifts upon the University. Apart altogether from these considerations, loyalty is with us a tradition, a sentiment, a conviction and a passion, and we are therefore greatly delighted to have His Excellency present at our first Convocation since his arrival in Canada. He has claims on the consideration of Canadians because of his connections and his past. Through Lady Minto he is connected with the great names of Lord Durham and Lord Elgin, than whose there are none more honored in the history of Canada." Principal Grant then referred to the time when Lord Minto was Military Secretary to Lord Lansdowne during a critical epoch in the history of Canada. "His Excellency has already shown that he does not wish to be an idle man, but desires to aid in the development of the Dominion. Already he has shown, and that he is and will be a force in connection with the perfecting of our militia. In the next place we were delighted to find that His Excellency takes a deeply warm, appreciative and intelligent interest in the promotion of art." The Principal made an appreciative reference to Lord Minto's renown as a hunter and horseman, and concluded by asking that the degree of LL.D. be conferred upon him.

When the Governor-General came forward to respond, the audience rose en masse and sang the national anthem. His Excellency made a very short but graceful speech, in which he said he highly appreciated the honor conferred upon him. "As your youngest graduate," he concluded, "it will be my highest endeavor to do all I can to deserve the great distinction that has been conferred upon me by Queen's University to-day."

Rev. Dr. Ross presented Rev. W. H. Fitchett, of Melbourne, Australia, for the degree of LL.D. For the degree of D.D., Rev. W. G. Jordan was presented by Rev. Dr. Milligan, who gave an interesting account of the brilliant scholastic career of the reverend gentleman. Rev. Mr. Jordan made a becoming response, his modest and unassuming manner impressing his hearers most favorably.

Mr. Justice MacLennan then unveiled a brass placed in the wall of Convocation Hall to commemorate the services of Senator Gowan and the other contributors to the Sir John Macdonald chair of Political and Economic Science.

Mr. H. H. Strathy, of Barrie, nephew of Senator Gowan, neatly responded on behalf of his uncle, who was prevented by indisposition from attending.

The proceedings closed with the singing of

the national anthem, and His Excellency was then conducted to the College grounds, where he planted a tree to commemorate his visit.

NOTES.

On Tuesday evening, April 25th. Prof. Dupuis gave a most interesting and instructive lecture on "The Planet Mars," in Convocation Hall.

At the annual meeting of the University Council on April 25th, C. McDowall, Renfrew; Dr. H. R. Duff, Kingston, and J. H. Mills, Athens, were appointed to fill vacancies. The Chancellor offered suggestions as to the erection of new buildings made necessary through a demand for more accommodation. A committee was appointed to consider the position of secondary education in Ontario and the principles to be kept in view in its development.

At the last meeting of the Senate, the following graduates were appointed tutors for the next session: Latin, Oscar Skelton, M.A., and J. F. McDonald, M.A.; Greek, James Wallace, M.A.; Mathematics, T. Kennedy, M.A.; Moral Philosophy, M. A. McKinnon, B.A.; Political Science, W. W. McLaren, M.A. J. D. Byrnes, B.A., was appointed clerk of the post office, with W. McDonald, B.A., as assistant.

Rev. W. G. Jordan, D.D., was appointed Professor of Old Testament Exegesis by the Board of Trustees on Wednesday night, April 26th. Prof. Shortt resigned the position of Librarian, and Miss Lois Saunders was appointed to fill the vacancy. The following were appointed Trustees for the next five years:—Rev. Dr. Herridge, Ottawa; Rev. D. R. Drummond, St. Thomas; Rev. D. J. Edgar Hill, Montreal; Sheriff MacLennan, Sir Sandford Fleming, and D. B. MacLennan, Cornwall.

ANNUAL SPORTS. 1899.

The following is the list of events adopted by the Athletic Committee for the sports next October: 100 yards, 220 yards, quarter mile, half mile (limit 2m. 25s.), mile (limit 5m. 20s.), three-legged, hurdle and team races; putting 16 lb. shot, throwing hammer; throwing discus; pole vaults; hop, step and jump; high jump, broad jump, standing and running.

The events will be governed by the rules of the Canadian Amateur Athletic Association, with which competitors are advised to make themselves familiar.

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