

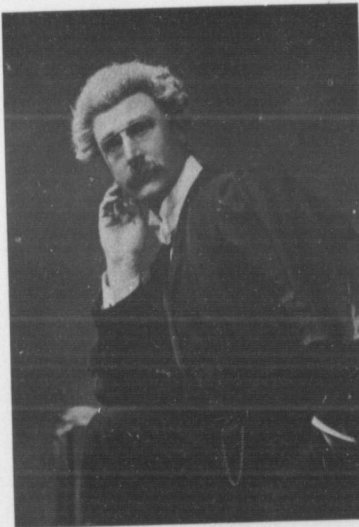
FREDERICK PARKER WALTON, B.A. (Oxon.), LL.B. (Edin.)

Mr. Walton, the new Dean of the Faculty of Law, is a native of Nottingham, England. He was a classical exhibitioner of Lincoln College, Oxford, and obtained a first class in Classical Moderations and a second class in Literæ Humaniores, graduating as B. A. in 1883. He afterwards studied law at the universities of Edinburgh and Munich. At Edinburgh he was first prize man in Roman Law and Public Law, and took the degree of LL.B. in 1886, in which year he was admitted to the Scottish Bar.

In 1894 he was appointed Lecturer in Roman Law in the University of Glasgow. This office he resigned in the following year to accept the post of legal secretary to the then Lord Advocate, the Right Honourable John Blair Balfour, Q.C., which office he retained till the fall of the Liberal Government.

Mr. Walton is the author of two valuable works, one a handbook of the "Law of Husband and Wife," the other, "Scotch Marriages, Regular and Irregular." For some years previous to his acceptance of his present office he assisted in editing the *Juridical Review*, published in Edinburgh, one of the best of the law magazines of the Mother Country. To this publication he was a frequent contributor. He also acted as examiner in Law in the University of Edinburgh, and as additional examiner in French and German in the same university.

As may be gathered from his scholastic course, Mr. Walton has qualified himself for the discharge of important duties such as those he will be called upon to fulfil in his new office by acquiring a familiarity with the modern scholarship of the continent of Europe, and is proficient in both the German and French languages. His knowledge of French and his profound study of Civil and Roman Law form an admirable equipment



for teaching in the department which he has assumed in our university.

The cause of higher education must be distinctly advanced by the infusion of the best results of modern scholarship into the hardy growth of our Lower Canadian system of law, and will give us some of the stimulus enjoyed by the other provinces from a comparison of their systems of law, in opening up to the minds of our students such a field as the Civil Law of Scotland.

The advent of a leading scholar from one of the sister kingdoms of the Mother Country tends to emphasise the essential unity of British peoples throughout the world, and as Canada is at this moment taking her rank among the other nations of the world, she also may expect to furnish soldiers to do battle in their places in the cause both of science, of literature, and of commerce. The circumstance that reciprocity in these matters does already exist was called to our attention not long ago by hearing of a grumble made at the head office, in Edinburgh, of a corpora-

tion which has branches in every part of the British world, that all the best things are going to the colonials, which remark was called forth by the simultaneous appointment of a Canadian to the principal South African branch, and of an East Indian to the office in London.

We are happy to extend a welcome to Mr. Walton in his new position. And it must be gratifying, both to him and to all friends of the Faculty, that under his auspices the remodeling of the course so as to separate the first year from the advanced students, has been successfully effected, and the financial condition of the Faculty improved by the recent handsome addition to its endowment. Our welcome is extended also to Mrs. Walton, and we trust she may enjoy much happiness in her new Canadian home.