

The Rev. Principal MacVicar promised to do all in his power to aid in the progress of the Fraser Institute towards the end they all wished to see it achieve, and to render it, as far as he could, popular with the citizens. (Applause.)

Rev. Mr. Larose, as a former director of L'Institut Canadien, expressed his gratification at seeing the books in such an excellent place as the Fraser Institute.

Prof. Coussirat, in French, suggested, that as the Minister of Public Instruction of France had promised a collection of books for McGill University, an application should be made for a collection for this library.

The President said the idea was a good one. The French Academy had already given them the reports of their meetings for the past 85 years, and they were now being bound. He hoped to be able to obtain many valuable contributions of that description from literary and scientific associations throughout the world.

Mr. Henry Lyman expressed his pleasure at being present, and his heartiest wishes for the success of the library.

Lieut.-Col. Lyman, as a member of the Mercantile Library Association, said he well remembered when, in 1840, seven citizens had gathered to lay the foundations of that institution. He considered the site selected for this library an excellent one, and hoped that the time would soon come when it would occupy the whole square.

The President then called upon Mayor Beaugrand, as the representative of the citizens, to declare the library opened to the public.

The Mayor said that the duty the President now asked him to perform, was one of the most pleasant that had devolved upon him since he assumed office. Coming after war, pestilence, floods and riots, it was refreshing to find that he could officiate at a ceremony which was of