

We all know that Queen's is not prodigal in the disposal of her honors, therefore they are to be the more highly appreciated, and I can assure you that no one on whom you have conferred the degree of LL.D., can feel more grateful than myself, particularly as it comes to me at this time and as a pleasant surprise. Little did I think when I entered the Medical Department of Queen's University forty-six years ago, a mere lad and quite unknown, that I should receive at her hands the supreme honor I have had given me today, and when I look back at her in her infancy as she then was, and compare her with the Queen's of the present, I am amazed; and it is in a great measure due to the energy, devotion and self sacrifice of that noble man now gathered to his Father's, Principal Grant, that she occupies the proud position among Universities of the world that she now enjoys. I say it without fear of successful contradiction, that no University in this or any other land, has made such giant strides from so small a beginning, or done so much for the youth of any country as our own beloved Queen's, she has known no creed, sex or color, nor has she shut her doors against the poor and humble, but always welcomed those who have tried to help themselves.

There is a bond of union between students, graduates and professors that is entirely unknown in any other University on this continent, and what is the result of this union? It is the great love of Alma Mater that exists in all her Alumni, no matter in what country they may be located, and wherever they may be, you will find them occupying positions of trust, and always using their best efforts to advance the interests of their fellow men, and the grand old University of which we are all so proud.

At the present moment there are no less than seven graduates of Queen's in the Medical Council out of a possible twenty-four, a far greater number than any other University can boast of, and the President of the body is the Hon. Dr. Sullivan of this city so long connected with the Medical Faculty of this institution.

I do not wish to detain you longer, and only say in conclusion that the honor you have conferred on me is the one above all others I would have chosen had I the choice, coming