

views and magazines, and his translations of Horace have a high literary value.

Justice MacLennan then read Dr. William's the following address:—

VENERABLE AND DEAR SIR:—Fifty years have elapsed since you came to watch by the cradle of Queen's University. Among those who with faith and patience and unremitting toil have cared for this institution during the period of its growth you have borne a distinguished part. Through all these years your rich and varied scholarship has served the College as its necessities from time to time demanded. The ebb in the fortune of Queen's was marked by the setting in of the flood-tide of your loyalty and labors. In vain were inducements held out to you to withdraw from her service at a time when her future welfare would have been endangered by such withdrawal. For fifty years you have continued, with unabated energy, to display a loyal devotion to all her interests and a solicitous care that the institution should remain true to its high vocation.

Not the smallest part of your usefulness to your students has lain in the unconscious influence exerted by your personality. The kindness of your heart and the urbanity of your manners, your genial spirit and your unselfish regard for the welfare of your students, have endeared you to them beyond forgetfulness, and have exerted a salutary and enduring influence upon their lives, such as even your great learning and refined culture could not by themselves have effected.

We rejoice that it has pleased God to grant you length of days beyond the allotted span, and that the grandsire who got from you some of the best inspirations of his youth can bring his children's children here to-day to greet you on your jubilee.

We deem it fitting that the memory of yourself and of your abundant, varied and valuable services to this University during half a century should in some visible way be perpetuated. The loving enthusiasm of your students, past and present, seeks, therefore, to manifest itself in a form which will hand down to further generations those features whose genial light has shone with heathful and inspiring influence upon hundreds of young spirits awakening and developing attachments more precious than rubies and more enduring than bronze. These are some of the reasons and

sentiments which have led the council of the University to ask your consent to enable them to prepare and set up within these walls the bust which we now unveil in the presence of Convocation by the distinguished artist (Mr. Hamilton McCarthy), who has executed it.

The old Professor, evidently much affected, rose, and in a low, but clear tone replied as follows:—

MR. CHANCELLOR, MR. JUSTICE MACLENNAN,
MEMBERS OF THE UNIVERSITY COUNCIL :

I would be almost as insensible as that inanimate bust if I did not feel deeply grateful for the honour you have done by me by your most kindly address, and by so generously providing for its accompaniment by so excellent and life-like a production, as all tell me it is, of the eminent sculptor's skill. Very conscious as I am of my own failures and shortcomings, I look upon both rather as tokens, dear to my heart, of your affectionate regard for an old professor, whose earnest desire at least has always been to do his duty to the best of his ability, than as subjects for self-elation. It seems to me that I am only like the servant of a great firm, who, having judged him upon the whole to have done his work to their satisfaction, have, in this fiftieth year of his service, been pleased thus to signify their appreciation of his endeavours to promote the important interests of the institution with which he has been so long connected, and in being the recipient of such gracious marks of your approval I am far more than recompensed for all my poor labours.

My feelings of gratitude, gentlemen, are too strong to find adequate utterance in words, and I can only add, again and again, accept my warmest thanks.

SPECIAL NOTE.

Note Professor Fowler's request for apparatus needed to do his class work in Botany according to modern methods. Botany is no longer the study of a system merely. It is the study of the whole life history of plants, and to do this microscopes and microtomes for the cutting of tissues are required. A benefaction of \$200 would supply the Professor in the meantime with what he needs, and the Finance committee cannot make the appropriation unless some good friend responds to this appeal.