

Free with the Presbyterian Church of Nova Scotia the Academy was combined with the college at Truro that belonged to the United Church. In 1866 Dr. Forrest was ordained and inducted into the pastoral charge of St. John's Church, Halifax. He remained pastor of that church for 14 years. During his ministry he gained the confidence of the whole Nova Scotian Church by his devotion to duty, his manliness of character, and his soundness of judgment. In 1880 he was appointed Professor of History and Political Economy in Dalhousie College, and on the retirement of Dr. Ross from the Principalship, he was elected his successor.

Principal Forrest is succeeding in his present great work as he has succeeded in every charge with which he has been intrusted. He is in touch with the students and has the confidence of the governors and benefactors of the University. He is a diligent scholar and a first rate man of business. Dalhousie College is already an institution of which Canada may well be proud, and under Principal Forrest's administration it is certain to take still higher rank. Already a site has been secured in the suburbs of the city for new buildings, and Sir William Young, an honorary graduate of Queen's, has contributed \$20,000 towards their erection. But the Principal's character is the best pledge of the success of the University. He will never cease to be a faithful preacher of the word of God and a trusted guide in the courts of the church. He will be among the students a man among men, and one who believes that in Jesus Christ and Him crucified is all wisdom and all power.

MR. CHANCELLOR.—I now present to you the Rev. David Watson, of Thorah, Master of Arts, whom the Senate has adjudged worthy to receive the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity. In 1847 Mr. Watson came to Queen's, where he was a distinguished student in the different departments of his course in Arts and Theology. In 1853 he was settled in the charge where he has faithfully laboured for the last 33 years. Few in any church in our country have been the means of gathering around them so large a congregation and ministering to them so long with unabated energy and success. Yet amid his pastoral duties he has continued with all the zeal of youth to be an earnest student in the different branches of literature and science, and especially to make himself conversant with, and keep abreast of the literature of Theology, doctrinal, practical and controversial, down to the present day. The Senate therefore has conferred on him the honor of the degree of Doctor of Divinity as a just and fitting recognition of his merits.

Chancellor Fleming then instructed the Registrar to enrol the names of these gentlemen among the recipients of the honorary degree of D.D.

The 45th session was then formally declared closed and after "God Save the Queen" was sung, the Hall was soon empty.

CONVERSAZIONE.

THE most successful Conversazione yet held in Queen's took place on the evening of the 27th ult., under the auspices of the Alma Mater Society. It was determined that this event should eclipse all preceding ones, and accordingly no efforts had been spared to make everything pass off successfully. A very large number of invitations were issued, so that when the appointed evening arrived the halls were almost uncomfortably crowded. Great taste had been displayed in the decorations, and the dark stained woodwork was a splendid background to the bright and many-colored flags and bunting. The great quantity of flowers and the rifles and bayonets of the University Rifle Corps, also, aided greatly in the decorations. The evening was not as pleasant as could be desired, as there was a very heavy fog lying over the city, but this, however, did not dampen the spirits of the students or their guests, for about eight o'clock the carriages began to stream up to the main entrance of the College. The guests were received at the doors by the members of the Reception Committee and conducted to the different dressing rooms. Soon Convocation Hall was crowded and after some selections were rendered by the band of the 14th P. W. O. R., the first part of the programme was opened by a short address from Dr. F. C. Heath, President of the Alma Mater Society. A duett was then rendered in splendid style by the Misses Dick and Irving, and Miss Morrison sang her best in "Deep in My Heart." After the first concert was over the Mathematical and English class-rooms were occupied by those who found pleasure in dancing to the delightful music of the band. Meanwhile the refreshment room was thrown open and was soon well filled, and also the lecture rooms in which experiments were being performed by Profs. Goodwin and Marshall. The second part of the programme was opened by a duett by the Misses Chambers. The song "Bitter Sweet" by Miss A. Fralick was well received and called forth an encore. The duett by the Misses Meeck also called forth loud applause. As the evening grew late the guests began to disperse, and by half-past twelve the halls were in darkness. Much praise is due Mr. David Cunningham for the thorough manner in which he performed the arduous duties of Secretary of the Committees.

QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY ENLLOWMENT ASSOCIATION.

IN THE Senate room on Wednesday morning, 28th ult., the first annual meeting of the Queen's University Endowment Association, Chancellor Fleming being in the chair, the report of the committee appointed by the Council last year was read and adopted. The constitution recommended by this committee was considered, some amendments made concerning the qualifications of members, and adopted. The officers for the ensuing year are:

PRESIDENT—Sandford Fleming, C. M. G.

VICE-PRESIDENTS—Dr. Grant, Ottawa; A. Allan, Rev. Jas. Barclay, Montreal; Rev. G. M. Milligan, Jas. Mac-