

play original thought and disclose the possession of a vast store of valuable erudition. He is also familiar to the literary and teaching world as editor of the *Philosophical Review* and joint editor of the *School Review*.

When in Canada he discharged his professional duties most acceptably, winning the entire respect and confidence of professors, students and the public, who regretted profoundly his departure for this country. He has been a decided success at Cornell. In his selection as president of that university the directors departed from the prevalent, but not always wise, rule that the head of an institution of learning should be more eminent for business qualities than for the temper of a scholar.

Although non-resident in Canada now for fourteen years, Dr Schurman still takes a warm interest in everything that effects his native country. Addressing the students of Cornell in 1896 on the Venezuela matter, he spoke of the future emancipation of all America Commonwealths by the withdrawal of European Powers from this country, and predicted that, when that came, Canada would use her newly acquired independence to seek admission to the America Union. As chairman of the Philippine Commission, President Schurman has done excellent work, and it is well known that he is extremely conservative touching our future in the Far East.

Dr Schurman has a compact head and a clean-shaven, strong, intellectual face. In religion he is a Baptist. He married, in 1884, Barbara F., eldest daughter of the late George Munro (who was a Nova Scotian), the New York millionaire publisher of the "Seaside Library" and similar literature. He is barely forty-six years of age, and in full enjoyment of his remarkable powers.

Noblesse Oblige.

Canadian, therefore proud ; as he whose race
 Hath builded greatness out of pain and toil,
 Planted the fleur-de-lis on frozen soil,
 Or feared the king, but did not fear to face
 The gibe of them who held obedience base,
 Not seeing, freedom-dazed, the serpent-coil
 Of revolution—execrable foil
 To liberty's bright lustre and fair grace.

Canadian, therefore proud ; and therefore bound
 By honour, strength, and knowledge of the truth,
 Still more by patriot-love, intense, profound,
 To serve the mother-land, to stay her power
 With ready blade and fervid force of youth
 When war shall wake, and carnage claim his hour.

JOHN EDMUND BARSS, '91.