

ever labouring faithfully for the success of the Faculty and for the good of the students. During these 46 years he has held the following positions:—From 1854 to 1878, he was professor of Materia Medica and Therapeutics which chair he then resigned to assume that of the Principles and Practice of Medicine. This position he held continuously up to the beginning of the present session. In 1876 he became the treasurer of the Faculty and remained such until 1899 when he resigned. In 1883 he was chosen Dean of the Faculty. Last year he wished to resign this office also but at the earnest solicitation of the Principal and members of the Faculty he was prevailed upon to retain this position. I know I am speaking the mind of every member of the Faculty when I say that each and every one of us would have regarded Dr. Fowler's retirement as a misfortune and that we accordingly rejoiced when he was induced to continue at our head.

During these past 46 years and while he held the positions to which I have referred he was at all times actuated by the highest and the purest motives. His relations with the students were ever the kindest, his intercourse with the other members of the Faculty were at all times dignified and courteous and as our presiding officer, by his calm judgment, his faith in the future and his selfsacrificing devotion to our interests, he managed to guide us through our dark days and, therefore, we are all glad that he still lives to see the Faculty vigorous and successful. I am sure that I shall offend none of those who have been associated with Dr. Fowler when I state, that, in my opinion, the Medical Faculty of this University owes its very existence to him. In the days when the number of students was small and the competition of similar institutions was strong, Dr. Fowler devoted himself, heart and soul, to the general interest, giving freely of his time and his ability and receiving but little reward except that of the consciousness of doing his whole duty faithfully and well. To-day he has a reward which comes to few. He sees the fruits of his labours:—A Faculty the members of which (I speak for the others, Mr. Chancellor) are well prepared for their work and zealously devote themselves to it; the number of students increasing year by year, this increase necessitating the enlargement of the buildings and improvements in their internal arrangements.