

ative educationists and public men. Among these were John Francis Waters, of Ottawa, the distinguished lecturer, and Very Rev. J. E. Emery, O.M.I., the President of the University of Ottawa.

At 8 p.m. Dr. Morrison, of Charlottetown, preached the baccalaureate sermon, a magnificent apology for Christian education. Benediction was given by His Lordship and the *Te Deum* sang for the blessings of fifty years.

*Ad multos et magnos annos* Sister ! The University of Ottawa rejoices.

#### THE AFTERMATH.

Like a bolt from the blue heaven came the word that our revered President, scarcely returned from the Lower Provinces was called to a new field of labor. Although the fibres of his heart had grown round the stones that have risen on the ashes of what has been, he, the strong one in command, knew best how to obey. Our duty it is here to award him a meed of praise "Let us" in the words of Ecclesiasticus "praise men of renown and our fathers in their generation—such as have borne rule in their dominions and by the strength of wisdom instructing the people in the most holy words."—During the time allotted to him the passing Rector has done literally wonders. A contemporary puts it very well when it says.

"It was in the presence of great difficulties that he devoted himself to the cause of education, but he knew how to use human means and how to obtain divine aid in the accomplishment of his worthy designs.

"He was a man above national bigotry with the interests of the University as he saw them at heart. A French-Canadian by birth, Scotch by education and American of twenty years' standing, he combined in himself the qualities of a man of the world and a priest of God. He looked to the interests of Catholic education in no restricted or limited sense, but was a man of large views and progressive methods. Under his regime the new Arts building—which will truly be his monument—has risen from the ashes of the fire of Dec. 2nd, 1903, the vast personnel has been kept together and the substantial sympathy elicited both of the Ontario Government and of Lord Strathcona. He leaves the University with a larger number and a better class of students than when he took hold of it. He was in-