

Professor d'Avray in his annual report for 1855 observes:

"The University is a necessity, it cannot be destroyed without injustice to the youth of New Brunswick, and the greatest injury to the character of the province. All that an intelligent and patriotic government can do is to endeavor to make it more generally useful, that is to say to induce the many instead of the few to avail themselves of its educational resources. In order to effect this, the first step must be to disabuse the public mind on many points in which it has been sedulously misinformed, to instruct it on those of which it is ignorant, and to re-assure it on such points as it has a right to demand as guarantees for the proper training of its students."

Professor d'Avray was a popular and efficient instructor and is remembered as a model of politeness and courtesy. He was kind-hearted and gentle, genial and witty upon occasion, indulgent, generous and brave to the last. He died in 1871, greatly lamented. His daughter and only child, Laurestine Marie, married Dr. Loring Woart Bailey, professor of chemistry, natural science, botany and geology in the University from 1861 to 1907. With her husband she is at this time (1918) still a resident of her native city, Fredericton. The full title of Professor d'Avray, which he did not assume during his life in Fredericton, was Joseph Marshal de Brett Marechal, Baron d'Avray, Chevalier de Saint Louis.

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