

DIAMOND JUBILEE CONGRATULATIONS.

Among the great number of Diamond Jubilee appreciations being received we have selected the following; partly because they are from most eminent men, but chiefly because they are from men who have long known the 'Witness' and its work intimately, and dare at the same time eminently capable of judging its worth.

The Archbishop of Montreal and Primate of All Canada writes:

BISHOPS COURT,
22 UNION AVENUE,
MONTREAL.
6 Nov 1905

My dear Mr. Dougall

I look back with glad admiration, to the good & arduous work of your father, in connection with the Witness, from the beginning.

His fearless & able advocacy of the cause of Temperance, contributed largely to placing Canada amongst the most temperate of all lands.

and his watchfulness over the moral & religious tone of the Witness, secured in a great measure, for the "Paper" a most beneficial influence, in the homes & hearts of our people.

I trust that the future of the Witness, may be blessed of God, for increased power for good, & still larger usefulness in promoting the religious character of this magnificent Dominion.

Truly Yrs.
H. B. Morford

Principal Shaw, of Wesleyan College, writes;

Wesleyan Theological College,
REV. W. I. SHAW, D.D., LL.D., D.C.L.
PRINCIPAL,
225 UNIVERSITY STREET,
Montreal,

I join with tens of thousands in Canada & elsewhere in sending greetings to the Witness & congratulations on the occasion of its Diamond Jubilee. The Witness & I have not always agreed, but as one of its readers for 38 years I have never failed to appreciate its honest independence, its editorial ability, & its defence of all that is pure & best in public & social life. May it live to enjoy many more jubilees.

W. I. Shaw
Nov. 15, 1905

Rev. John Scrimger, D.D., Principal of the Presbyterian College, writes;



The Presbyterian College

'Witness' Office, City. Montreal,
Messrs. John Dougall & Son, Nov. 13, 1905.

Dear Sirs:—Allow me to congratulate the 'Witness' on reaching its Diamond Jubilee. More or less regularly I have been a reader of the 'Witness' for some forty years or more, and have always respected its earnest independent tone on all kinds of subjects. Many changes have taken place in that time, but it has remained staunch to the principles which it then advocated. It has never sacrificed principles for the sake of popularity and has often had to suffer for its fidelity to its own ideas. But it is that fact which has given it the unique confidence of a large number of the best people in the country. Canada owes a debt of obligation to the 'Witness' which it will never be able to repay, however prosperous the paper might become, for the persistent way in which it has held up the highest and worthiest ideals of life and duty, even when the majority have been unwilling to listen. It would be a national misfortune if anything should occur to interrupt its noble mission. It would be a great national benefit if the people of Canada through a still more active support greatly enlarged the sphere of the 'Witness' influence.

Yours very truly,

John Scrimger

The Honorable Sir Melbourne Tait, Acting Chief Justice of the Superior Court, writes;



The Judge's Chambers,

Montreal, November 29th, 1905.

Messrs. John Dougall & Son,
Proprietors of the 'Witness,' City.

Dear Sirs,—I would like to join with your numerous friends in offering you congratulations upon the occasion of the jubilee of your paper.

I have been a constant reader of it since I commenced to read anything solid. Many hundred copies of it have I distributed to subscribers in an Eastern Township village Post Office, where my father was Post Master, and where it was a favorite, as indeed it always has been throughout the Townships.

My appreciation of its educational influence and general usefulness has increased from year to year, and this, among other reasons, because of its high moral tone; of the unvarying sound sense and literary finish of its leading articles, which have rendered them at once a fund of instruction and a source of pleasure to the reader; of the general accuracy of its information and avoidance of all that is sensational and vulgar.

That it may long continue in its good and useful work is my sincere wish.

I am, yours truly,

M. H. Tait