

trooped in profusion aphorisms, critiques, prose and poetry. Any issue of "Words from the Mustapha's Chamber" would corroborate what I say. I verily believe he was never happier than when he guided the Mustaphatic pen in his old college *scriptum*.

What could I not write in this strain. In this respect memory's stores are well nigh inexhaustible. In a word, I may say a man is strongest—at his best—in the work he delights in. His energies move in swift and ready obedience to the call of love, and the best and largest results are secured with the least expenditure of vital power. Dr. Rand drew from sources which the curriculum did not supply, thus broadening his views and sharpening his faculties for the prolonged conflicts of his vocation. His work, though beset with difficulties, he loved. Nothing to him was nobler than the evolving of man's moral and spiritual capacities. He has worked steadfastly and persistently and lovingly to snap the bonds of mental thralldom to this one all-absorbing purpose—and he met with it whithersoever he turned—only seemed to open fresh sources of strength. He had faith in his work, and in the fulness of that faith carried his plans to a successful issue. In view of all this it is meet and graceful to assign him his present quiet retreat from which he can scan the literary horizon as he guides the destinies of a young and promising University.

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### MARITIME UNIVERSITIES.

THE Universities of the Maritime Provinces are not magnificent in comparison with those of older and wealthier communities. Yet, considering the youth and scattered populations of the provinces, they are such as we might be proud of. When we consider that our wealth has been created, and our population has grown wholly within the last hundred years, we shall not look for grand educational institutions.

Probably the oldest institution was a classical school, founded at Windsor about 1788. We say, probably, because the exact date of the founding of a like institution at Fredericton is doubtful. At least the design of founding this school was the oldest, it being entertained as early as 1768. Under the principalship of Dr. Cochran collegiate courses were started, which resulted in the founding of King's College under a royal charter. Funds for its support were obtained from annual grants from the governments of Great Britain and Nova Scotia, and educational societies in England. According to the prevailing public sentiment of that time, this college was founded and controlled by the Church of England; and it was strictly denominational, each matriculant being obliged to sign the 39 articles of the faith of the Church of England. Although this regulation was afterwards repealed,