

tinued prosperity in your noble work of carrying the gospel to the neglected portions of our land; yet, above all, seek the continued blessing of the Great Head of the Church and you cannot fail to obtain an abundant measure of success. The inauguration of the endowment scheme, the success of which is virtually secured, seems to indicate a prosperous future for Knox. No doubt ere long we shall see our Alma Mater not only relieved from the financial embarrassment against which she has been struggling during all the years of her previous history, but also thoroughly equipped for the great work devolving upon her. The federation of the colleges also will, doubtless, give a great impetus to Knox, but as you have heard the needs of the college and the benefits arising out of Federation so ably treated this afternoon, I shall not say anything further on these topics.

The number of students in the theological classes is now greater than at any previous period of the history of the college, and the day is not far distant when additional accommodation will be required.

And now, gentlemen, through you we desire to thank our numerous friends in the city who have favored us by their presence at our public meetings in the college, and who have so kindly and so frequently extended to us the hospitality of their homes.

Their kindness in this respect has added in no small degree to the pleasures of our college life.

And also, to express to the Principal and Professors of the college the deep sense of obligation we feel towards them for their uniform kindness, and for the deep interest they have always taken in our welfare.

And now, gentlemen, as we are about to leave the college, we wish you every success in the further prosecution of your studies.

To us the little stream of student life this day completes its course, and we now cast one longing, lingering glance behind, before we launch forth upon the busy sea of life.

There are moments in our lives when thoughts of the past and hopes for the future seem so inextricably blended with the present as to give rise to strange and inexpressible emotions within us.

Such is our condition this evening, yet even here there are transient gleams of sunshine. We are now bidding you farewell, yet at no distant date we hope to welcome you as fellow laborers with us in preaching the everlasting gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Let us all therefore "be strong and of good courage," and "let us not be weary in well-doing, for in due season we shall reap if we faint not."

Immediately afterwards, Mr. J. L. Campbell, the spokesman for all the other classes in the college, replied to the valedictory as follows:

*To the Members of the Graduating Class:—*

GENTLEMEN.—The students of Knox College whom you are about to leave, and to whom you have addressed kind words of farewell, wish through me to make a short reply. We do not desire to express sorrow at your departure from us, however much we may feel the loss we are to experience in your absence from our literary associations and friendly gatherings, but rather we think of the inviting character of the work in which you are to be engaged, of this great harvest field in which you are to labor, and we come to extend to you our hearty congratulations, and express our good wishes for a faithful and happy career. The work to which you have devoted your lives, from our