

He spoke of the *entente cordiale*, which existed between the students of McGill and Bishop's, and of the progress which medical science was making. To this onward march he believed Canadian physicians were contributing, and he was sure no school jealousy would prevent those connected with Bishop's from admitting that foremost among them stand one connected with his school, Dr. Osler, who, as a pathologist, had a reputation which was rapidly becoming world-wide (Dr. Osler's name was received with loud applause). A representative from the students of Victoria and Laval schools also responded. "Our Graduates" was responded to by Dr. J. F. T. Jenkins.

Dr. JENKINS said: Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,—In responding on behalf of the graduates I feel much as I did some years ago when delivering the Valedictory of my class. The dignity of the charge impresses me with the weight of its responsibility. I have to tender to you the thanks of the men who are scattered from pole to pole of this earth. From Hong Kong, China, from the Sandwich Island, the West Indies, Panama and California come greetings from absent ones. They who for so long a time battled in the effort to master the difficult and intricate paths of the grand science we have adopted are each working out their respective destinies. Though the scenes they have known here know them no more forever, yet deep down in their hearts have they engraven an image more durable than the temples of gods; and with each succeeding year do they watch with pleasurable emotions the events transpiring 'neath the grand old walls of the University.

Let fate do her worst, there are relics of joy—

Bright dreams of the past, which she cannot destroy.

It may be superfluous for me to say that Bishop's College shall ever have a warm place in the hearts of her graduates. If in the professional arena we be enabled to win any honors we shall cast them as trophies at her feet. If by the way-side we pluck any bright flowers we will wreath them into garlands, and as offerings of love twine them around the portals of this our Alma Mater.

It is to the Alumni that the University must owe her future success. By the offspring is the parent judged, and in return for the loyalty of her sons her reward should be bestowed only upon them. It would look ill for a college if men could not be found within its own circle capable of filling any of the positions in its gift. We will honor our University as she honors us, as we hope her enduring progress and lasting renown will shed

lustre on our names in all our future careers. We have no just cause to doubt the perpetual life of the college: *it never stood on fairer grounds than to-day; it never ranked higher with the medical schools of America and of Europe; it never possessed more largely the affections of its children* who now send their students to their old mother for professional training. She will be perpetual! Our names upon her records and archives will be handed down forever. *Will we not endeavor to add to her imperishable fame?*

Among the proposed changes, as far as the graduates are concerned, is a complete remodeling of the Alumni Association. It has been suggested to offer medals and prizes in money for meritorious papers, based on original investigation and research. I am happy to state that a fair amount has already been subscribed, having that end in view. Another effort is to be made to establish a university paper—each of the faculties is to be represented. It has been clearly demonstrated that such a paper would be entirely self-supporting. It would be highly proper that we who draw our commissions from a common source should know more of each other, and for various reasons this object could not be so well accomplished in any other way.

There seems no better evidence that Montreal is a favorable site as a great seat of medical teaching than the fact that the field has already invited this flourishing school. These rival institutions in Montreal should not be unwelcome to the true friends of education. They should be encouraged. Let them contend, and successfully, for position. Give students the full benefit of competition, as they press hardly in the race upon our learned professors. Our places are by the side of our own men: to encourage, to uphold, to sustain them in awakening energy, in renewed zeal, in yet higher achievements and grander successes as great medical teachers. Our duty is not to pull down our neighboring school, but to build up our own higher and yet higher, keeping it ever in front that we need not say to our rivals, halt, but come on, for ever! It is our duty to see to it that, as Montreal develops into a great centre of medical teaching, no rival shall outstrip Bishop's, but that she shall be kept ever in the van, growing with the years, for the example and emulation of all rivals. All graduates join me in the wish that she may be grandly successful and perpetual in the dissemination of learning.