

to lose no opportunity of profiting by all the advantages which surround you, for be assured that every effort you make here to improve yourselves, will repay itself a hundred-fold in after life.

His Excellency, after concluding the above, made a few

REMARKS IN ENGLISH.

He said that it was almost impossible after replying to so many addresses in educational establishments to submit anything new for their consideration. It was only proper, however, that he should impress upon his young hearers, the obligation they were under to their devoted professors for the solid education which they received at their hands. He had heard with pleasure that the ground work of instruction in that college was the classics. Certainly there was no better safeguard against the materialism of the day and the bare utilitarian spirit engendered by the wants of a new country and a great commercial centre, than the beautiful poetry, the lofty oratory and the broad philosophy of ancient Greece and Rome. There was another point worthy of attention. In a large establishment like this, where so many youths were gathered under one roof, living in continuous contact, by day and night, the strictest care should be taken to preserve the purity of their moral character. In one of the addresses just read to him, the idea was suggested of a difference existing between life within the college walls and the greater life outside of them. He believed this difference to be illusory. He had shared that prejudice when at school, but the experiences of his manhood had convinced him that the school or the college was in reality a microcosm, filled with trials, difficulties and temptations, diverse, not in kind, but only in degree, from those of after-life, and requiring to surmount them, the same self-denial, the same energy, the same perseverance, and in some cases, the same heroism which the great events of a virile age called into play. On a former occasion, he had made some remarks on what he considered the tendency to forwardness and premature self-assertion which had struck him as a salient characteristic of the youth, not only of Canada, but of the whole Continent. He understood there was a reason, if not a palliation, for this, in the fact that in a new country, like Canada, young men were thrown early on their own resources, and had to force out, as it were, their mental and moral faculties. However that might be, he would venture once more to inculcate the necessity of respect for superiority wherever found, in those older, wiser, more experienced than ourselves. No matter what gifts we possess, it would be strange, if in any circle in which we may find ourselves, we did not meet some one to whom deference is due for gifts superior to our own. His Lordship concluded by exhorting the pupils to close application to their studies and grateful attachment to their venerable Superiors. He was listened to with rapt attention and greeted at the end with loud applause.

As his Excellency concluded, the band struck up "God Save the Queen" and the boys lent their voices to aid the music of the instruments. All the guests immediately rose to their feet and remained standing until the last strain died away. The party then moved slowly out and again entering their sleighs drove rapidly homewards.

We were very much impressed with the magnitude of Montreal College—its long drawn corridors, its vast dormitories, its grand study room, its fine academic hall, over the stage of which a scroll indicates the objects to which the good professors dedicate their lives: *Religion, Science and the Arts*. And as we went away reflecting on the great work done within those walls, we

thought how well it would be if, casting aside our rivalries of creed, origin, and language, we could all strive together, with one patriotic accord, towards the advancement of Religion, Science and the Arts.—*Gazette*.

Hochelaga Convent.

Yesterday afternoon (Jan. 28) the Governor General and Lady Dufferin, accompanied by little Lord Clandeboye and Lady Helen Blackwood, visited the Convent at Hochelaga. This visit had been looked forward to for some time by the authorities of the convent, and elaborate preparations had been made to welcome the Vice-Regal guests. From the entrance of the building to the reception hall, the passages and doorways were hung with white and green gauze, wreaths of flowers, scrolls and inscriptions. The hall itself was beautifully decorated in the same manner. Upon the west wall was an immense scroll, upon which was inscribed in illuminated characters, "This memorable visit will ever be numbered among the most pleasing reminiscences of the past." Over the entrance was a similar scroll, bearing the words, "Honor to our Noble Queen, Victoria," and upon the opposite side of the room was written, "Peace and Happiness to thee, Lady Dufferin." On the East wall of the room were three tablets, with the following mottoes: "The nobles qualities of our Dominion's Lord will ever retain a place in our Memory;" "Hail Worthy Representative of our Gracious Queen;" and, "May thy path in Life, Gracious Lady, be strewn with Heaven's choicest blossoms." By far the most pleasing and attractive decorations in the room, however, were the pupils themselves. They numbered about two hundred, and were of all ages and sizes, from the little five year old fairy to the young lady just completing her teens.

As their Excellencies entered the room the young lady who presided at the piano played "God Save the Queen," and when all the guests were seated, the music changed and the children's voices joined in a song of welcome, entitled "Salut à Son Excellence." This ended, Miss Eliza Newman, who had been selected for that honor, advanced and read in English the following address:—

To His Excellency The Right Honorable Frederick Temple, Earl of Dufferin, Baron Clandeboye, Governor-General of the Dominion of Canada, &c.,

May it Please Your Excellency:—

To-day, a new scene opens in the modest drama of our school-girl life. We are called on to greet within our convent walls the worthy representative of our noble and venerated Sovereign.

Though yet too young and inexperienced in worldly lore to understand the wisdom which so ably conducts the government of this our cherished country, still we can fully appreciate the condescending kindness with which your Lordship, laying aside the affairs of State, lends a willing ear to the accents of childhood.

We offer to your Excellency, and to your gracious lady, a thousand thanks for the honor of your visit.

May we ever show ourselves worthy of the attention bestowed on us to-day, and may Your Excellencies during your sojourn in Canada, ever receive wishes for your welfare as fervent and sincere as those formed by

THE PUPILS OF HOCHELAGA CONVENT.