

Fife Fowler, and after being "capped" and "hooded," enrolled their names in as M.Ds. in the University register.

Mr. H. M. Mowat, B.A., was presented by Mr. John McIntyre, Q.C., and upon him was conferred the degree of LL.B., and upon Mr. Rod. McKay, B.A., the degree of B.D.

HONORARY DEGREES.

Dr. Grant then arose and presented the names of the Rev. Silas Rand and Rev. Aeneas Dawson, as follows:

MR. CHANCELLOR,—I have the honour to present to you the name of the Rev. Silas Tertius Rand, for the purpose of enrolment among our honorary graduates. Mr. Rand was born in 1810 in Cornwallis, Nova Scotia. While working as a bricklayer and stonemason he taught himself Arithmetic, English Grammar and the rudiments of Latin, Greek and Hebrew. In 1834 he was ordained minister of the Baptist Church. The study of languages became such a passion with him that he was able at one time to speak and write 13 different languages. In 1846 he devoted himself to missionary work among the Indians of the Maritime Provinces, and for the greater part of the forty years that have since elapsed he has toiled on without recognition from any church or salary from any society. He has never asked any one for money, but his modest wants have already been supplied by Him who makes ravens His agents when men cannot or will not act. Mr. Rand has never lost faith in the Indian. He believes that the Indian is a man, and capable therefore of progress here and of immortality hereafter. And he has lived to see great changes for the better in the material and social condition of the Micmacs and Maliseets. When he began his work they were all in their primitive barbarism, with the vices of white men superadded; whereas, now, many live in houses, own property and schools, have the gospel and other books in their own language, partake of our civilization and are inspired with our hope. Mr. Rand has united in his life Apostolic faith and simplicity with the quenchless ardour of the true student. He has made himself the authority on everything pertaining to the history, manners, customs, legends and language of the Maliseets and Micmacs, and has studied also the Mohawk, Seneca and other dialects. He has translated the Holy Scriptures into Micmac, and has composed in the same language tracts, catechisms and hymns. He is at present completing a Micmac English Dictionary in which about 30,000 words are collected and arranged. Last session the Dominion Parliament recognized his services by giving a grant to enable him to publish this great work. The Bureau of Ethnology of the Smithsonian Institute is now publishing a "Bibliography of Indian Literature," ten pages of which are occupied with the simple enumeration of his writings. In asking you to confer on Mr. Rand the degree of Doctor of Laws, the Senate desires to mark in the most emphatic manner its appreciation of Christian living, vigorous thinking and varied scholarship attained under great difficulties.

MR. CHANCELLOR,—I present to you, also for the Degree of Doctor of Laws, the Reverend Aeneas McDonnell Dawson. Dr. Dawson was born at Redhaven, Banffshire, Scotland, in 1810. After a thorough classical education in Scotland he went first to Paris, where he studied for four years, and then to Douai. He was ordained in 1835, and did duty in the Edinburgh and London Missions till 1854, when he came to Canada. During thirty-two years service in this country as Rector and Military Chaplain, he has gained the affection and esteem of men of all denominations by his self-denying labours and truly Catholic spirit. This was strikingly manifested last year on the occasion of his "Golden Jubilee," when the citizens of Ottawa generally combined with the Bishop and clergy and the authorities of Ottawa University to make the celebration notable. As an instance of the spirit by which he is animated, I may here refer to the fact that when you, as Chief Engineer of the Canada Pacific Railway, wished to have a form of service drawn up, in which the members of the various exploring and surveying parties between the Upper Ottawa and the Pacific could unite on the Lord's day, you found no difficulty in securing the co-operation of Father Dawson with the Rev. D. M. Gordon, of the Presbyterian Church, and Canon Bedford Jones, now the Venerable Archdeacon of the Diocese of Ontario, whom we welcome to-day on this platform. Dr. Dawson is known not only as an eloquent preacher but as a literary man of wide range. He has published letters, treatises and volumes on the Colonial Policy of Great Britain, on the North West Territories, and British Columbia, and various other subjects; he has written original poems, and biographies of Saint Vincent de Paul and of Pope Pius IX; and has given to us some admirable translations, of which the best known is one of Count Joseph C. Maistoe's celebrated "Soirees de St. Petersburg." Naturally, he was selected as one of the first twenty English-speaking literary men in Canada, when Lord Lorne constituted the Royal Society, and we, in now enrolling him as a graduate, desire to pay a desired tribute to character and labours that have stood the test of fifty years, and at the same time to give another proof that the University ignores nationality and creed in its recognition of literary work done in and for Canada.

The Cancellor then instructed the Registrar to enrol the names of these gentlemen in the University Register as Doctors of Laws.

Dr. Williamson then presented the names of the Very Rev. John Forrest and the Rev. David Watson, M.A. He spoke as follows:

MR. CHANCELLOR,—The Senate requests you to confer the degree of Doctor of Divinity on the Very Reverend John Forrest, Principal of Dalhousie College and University. Dr. Forrest was born in 1842 in New Glasgow, Nova Scotia. After studying in the Free Church Academy, Halifax, then one of the best institutions of learning in the Province, he was appointed in 1860 one of its teachers, and in 1861 its Principal. On the union of the