

nerve that the boy or girl may have the much-coveted "college education"? The father is often so engrossed with the financial problem that it is left to the mother to inspire and stimulate the youthful mind to higher things in an age when it is a temptation, especially for the boys, to turn aside into the alluring path of material gain.

We congratulate Dr. Young on his address. It was the event of the Convocation, and was listened to with the keenest satisfaction. He told of the infinite pains taken by the Government to provide an adequate endowment, a suitable site, and all the multitude of details to be arranged before the machinery could be set in motion that would make the University a fact; but when the Minister went on to define just what his conception of our great University was, we began to realize how fortunate this province is in having a man with such high ideals at the head of the educational department. If the affairs of this Institution are carried out along the lines laid down in his first Convocation speech, Dr. Young will need no further monument, though we hope he may live to see his children and his children's children add their names to his in connection with this University. We congratulate Mrs. Watt and Mrs. Ferris on their election to the Senate, and Mrs. McNaughten and Mrs. Jenkins on their appointment by the Government to the Convocation. A great responsibility rests with these women, not only in regard to what they may do in the interests of the University, but that their light may so shine before men that the Government may feel encouraged to enlist the time and talents of other women of B. C. in affairs that have to do with our daily life.

This is an age when waste of all kinds is being studied and search made for ways and means to prevent it. Conservation is the cry, and yet we behold all over this Dominion the absolute waste to this great and growing na-

tion of the talents and counsel of its brilliant and capable women. Possibly the Government has realized this in enlisting their wisdom to help to arrange for the formation of this great new University, and we hope that before its opening takes place, they will have secured the co-operation of women in legislation itself, for the advancement and welfare of the Province in every department.

W.S.P.U. DEPUTATION TO THE CANADIAN PREMIER.

(From "Votes for Women.")

A week ago Miss Barrett as reported in our last issue, wrote to Mr. Borden, the Canadian Prime Minister, asking him to receive a deputation on Woman Suffrage from the Women's Social and Political Union, and from those interested in the question in the Dominion. This request Mr. Borden refused on the ground of lack of time. In a second letter Miss Barrett, after reiterating her request, continued thus: "Our Society has been instrumental in raising the question in this country to the forefront of practical politics, and the reluctance of the Prime Minister to receive deputations or to deal with the question, has caused it to be a menace to the future existence of the Government and a source of some personal inconvenience to its individual members. We cannot but think that it would be of material advantage to the cause we represent and if I may venture to say so, to yourself as Prime Minister of a Colony which contains branches of our Society, if we were allowed personally to present our views to you in deputation and to receive your own in return. An interview in which a certain amount of discussion would take place is, in our opinion, much more fruitful of results than representations made in writing." A telegram was received from Mr. Borden in reply to this sec-