

School building where a large number of the citizens were awaiting them and where they were to be entertained for an hour or so. After getting comfortably seated in the front rows, Mr. W. G. Parish, as chairman, opened the meeting and called upon the municipal clerk, Mr. B. Loverin, to read an address of welcome to the president and officers. The address was as follows :

ROBERTSON, MACAULAY, ESQ.,  
PRESIDENT, AND STAFF.

It affords me the greatest possible pleasure to extend to you one and all the freedom of our little municipality and its picturesque environments, with which is coupled the warmth of a true Canadian welcome.

In your ranks are many who live under another flag than ours, and to you, if possible, we put a trifle more feeling into our greeting. We are after all brothers; we are both from the same grand old Anglo-Saxon stock, and both nations we believe are destined by the Almighty to be the two great conservators of civilization and Christianity. So we have coupled our flags, emblematic of that union which we trust will endure as long as time endures, and which stands for the peace, liberty and happiness of humanity.

We are proud of our town, with its classic name, which it has justly earned by the high standard of its educational institutions; we are proud of our surroundings, of our mountain scenery; gently undulating fields and island-dotted lakes, teaming with an endless variety of the finny tribe; and last, but not least, we are happy in the realization that the citizens of this section are striving with all their God-given powers to aid in the task we have in hand as Canadians, viz.: the lengthening the cords and the strengthening the stakes of our Dominion along the lines of the highest and healthiest citizenship.

We are proud of our Canadian institutions. Some of them have before them the manifest destiny of "world powers," and among this class stands the Company you represent to-day. The names of Macaulay and the Sun Life of Canada are dovetailed into each other, and both are household words in Canada. The Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada is doing a grand work in advertising our Dominion in lands beyond the seas.

We feel that the ever-increasing amount of life assurance in force is one of the most encouraging signs of the times, indicating, as it does, the thrift of our people.

May the Sun ever continue to shine with undimmed lustre and may its representatives who have dropped in on us ever cherish a lively memory of their brief sojourn at the "seat of learning."

On behalf of all the citizens,

GEO. E. JUDSON, Reeve.  
B. LOVERIN, Clerk.

President Macaulay made a brief but able reply to the address, during which he called on the staff to give three hearty cheers for Athens, which they did to the King's taste. He referred to the greatness of Canada, and said that, while the people of this country were part of the great British Empire, yet they did not owe everything to Britain, but a share to many other countries. We found in Canada English, Scotch, Irish, French, Germans and many others, and it was a triumph of civilization that there was in Canada such harmony and prosperity among a people so mixed.

Observing the two flags, the Union Jack and the Stars and Stripes, he declared Great Britain and the United States had a mission in the world, which was to stand by the cause of right. He believed there was a connection between these two great nations, and, while the United States had become a great nation, it could not forget the great country that gave it birth. He believed in the old saying that blood was thicker than water, and that these nations had rendered valuable services to one another in assuming the attitude each did toward the other in recent critical points in the history of each. Britain leads in all parts of the world, and her influence was always for the best.

He said the Sun Life of Canada was doing business in the four quarters of the globe, and he believed it was doing