

we will continue to gain strength and increase in usefulness. With the means at our command it will be our continual endeavour to cultivate new fields of thought and extend the influence of learning throughout the land. We have inherited a sacred trust from the thoughtful men who toiled to establish the University in the years that are past, and we feel the obligation resting upon us, with the charter received from Her Majesty when she first ascended the throne, to elevate the standard of truth and tolerance, of honour and patriotism.

SCHOLARSHIPS, MEDALS AND DEGREES.

After the Chancellor's address the winners of scholarships, medals, and testamurs in theology were announced, and the successful students came forward and received their prizes from the Chancellor. Then followed what is generally the most interesting part of the programme, the conferring of degrees. By twos they came for B.A., M.A., M.D., LL.B., and one for B.D. Meantime the gallery assisted the Chancellor and Prof. Dupuis in their work of laureation, keeping the audience in good humour and the new graduates in a state of excitement.

LORD ABERDEEN'S ADDRESS.

After the laureation of the graduates the Principal announced that Lord Aberdeen, who was an honorary graduate of last year, had consented to address the graduating classes. His Excellency expressed great pleasure at being present among his "brother graduates," and spoke of the privilege he enjoyed of wearing the hood, which was due more to the courtesy of the University than to his own capacity. The present occasion was one of significant interest, and was one of grave responsibility to those who had just graduated. The kneeling attitude during laureation was a fitting one. This was the method followed at Oxford. At McGill, on the previous day, he had seen a different method pursued, but, though this had the authority of the University of Cambridge, he preferred the kneeling posture. The responsibilities that would fall on college graduates through life would be many. In all branches of professional careers they, as well-educated men, would be called on to act as leaders and advisers. He had good stories to tell for the graduates in both medicine and law. In the law graduates he was specially interested, as from the ranks of the lawyers many of the ablest statesmen of the country have come. He spoke warmly of the encouraging increase in the number of Arts students in the University, as this indicated the recognition of the most comprehensive object of a University, the development of culture. He urged the graduates to live worthily of their Alma Mater, as those who came into contact with them could easily tell from what college they came. He showed that he followed

with interest the work of Queen's by references to her athletic prowess and college magazine, and closed by the expression of earnest good wishes for those just graduating from the University.

HONORARY DEGREES.

The Senate had decided to grant four honorary degrees, and these were now conferred. Two of the recipients, Hon. S. J. Way and George McColl Theal, are distinguished members of the British colonies, and their names were presented by the Principal in the following remarks:

"I present to you the name of the Hon. Samuel James Way, Lieutenant-Governor and Chief Justice of South Australia, as worthy of the degree of LL.D. Dr. Way has been raised by the voice of the people and the voice of his sovereign to the positions of member of the Legislature, Attorney-General, Chief Justice and Administrator of the Government for various periods. All Australians honor him for his ability, learning and public spirit. He is foremost in everything that promises to quicken religious and intellectual life. He has done more than any other man to establish the University of Adelaide and his aims and sympathies embrace the whole empire. At a time when the great self-governing colonies are realizing that they are sharers in a common inheritance and destiny, and are seeking to bring themselves into more vital touch with each other, the Senate thinks it well to call attention to the distinguished merits of S. J. Way."

"I also present to you the name of George McColl Theal, of Cape Town, South Africa, that you may bestow on him the degree of LL.D. Mr. Theal is a Canadian, a native of New Brunswick, but he has long made the Cape Colony his home, and he is now known far and wide as its representative literary man and reliable historian. His "Kaffir Folk Lore," his compendium of South African History, his History of the Boers, or the Wanderings and Wars of the Emigrant Farmers, his great History of South Africa, published in England in five octavo volumes, and his South Africa in the Story of the Nations Series, are contributions to literature valuable in themselves and doubly valuable for the light they throw upon the social and political problems of that important section of the British empire. As a Canadian Mr. Theal was better qualified to understand these problems, or, at any rate, better prepared to look at them from the colonists' point of view, than a writer who knew only the conditions of life in the mother land. He appreciated the importance of the Boer element in the work of civilizing South Africa, and in his works he does full justice to the robust virtues, the Puritan-like faith and the administrative abilities of those indomitable farmers who have laid the foundations of the Cape Colony, the Orange Free State and the Transvaal."

As neither of the recipients of the honours were present, the Principal called on His Excellency to respond on behalf of his friend, the Hon. S. J. Way. In doing so he spoke of Dr. Way in the most complimentary terms, and in concluding called for three cheers for the newly installed Chancellor, Sanford Fleming. It is needless to say that there was an enthusiastic response.

Prof. Goodwin then presented Mr. G. C. Hoffman, saying:

"Mr. Chancellor, I have the honour of presenting to you the name of Mr. George Christian Hoffmann, who has been selected by the Senate of this University as worthy to receive the degree of Doctor of Laws. Born in London, England, Mr. Hoffmann received his early education