

until they got a three years' course at college. Have there been in England any examples of that sort to point out? (A laugh, and "hear, hear.") If my memory serves me right, the young men here are generally anxious to graduate in another sort of college at that particular time. (Laughter.) The young men of Canada have, however, been taught differently. They have read and mastered that mystical parable in Judges i., where Caleb promised his daughter only to the man who should take the city of Kirjath-sepher, which being interpreted, means, the City of the Books. (A laugh, and "hear, hear.") From this they have fairly deduced the very substantial corollary that with all their minds they must become acquainted with truth before with all their hearts they become allied to beauty. (Laughter and applause.) While the young men of the country are thus regarded, those who are to be the wives and mothers of the future are by no means forgotten. For them there is a flourishing Wesleyan College with 237 fair students enrolled. (Hear, hear.) The course of instruction is extensive, solid, and, so far as I have had any opportunity of judging, thorough. In the closing exercises which I was privileged to attend the night before I left for England, there were essays read displaying a penetration and breadth of view, along with a combination of apt and happy words, which would have done no discredit to places of much higher pretensions. Since 1859, sixty-five of these students have graduated, fifty-three of them in the degree of mistress of English literature, and twelve who have taken a classical course, in the degree of mistress of the liberal arts. (A laugh.) It perhaps sounds strangely in English ears to talk of ladies who have obtained diplomas, but you know that English education is progressing very rapidly in that matter. ("Hear, hear," and a laugh.) Now that ladies legislate in the English school boards, lecture on political economy, and practise medicine, it is only one step further, I think, to realise Tonnyson's idea of a college with "prudes for proctors, dowagers for deans, and sweet girl graduates with their golden hair." (Laughter.) I have closely watched some of the fair graduates in question, and I am bound to testify that I do not observe them to be less feminine or sensitive than others. Their scholarship has not robbed them of the nameless delicacy and healing tenderness which are the charms of womanhood. (Hear.) While their intellects have thus been highly cultivated, I am thankful to say that the moral discipline has been earnestly and prayerfully maintained, and that the results, in fact, have been above all praise, except praise to Him who has brought so many out of darkness into the marvellous light of the Gospel. (Hear, hear.)

The Sunday-schools of Canada, as well as those throughout the whole American Continent, are a vast power for good, and are managed with remarkable completeness. We have there realised the true idea of Sunday-schools—the bringing of every child in the congregation under Church oversight and instruction. There all the choicest families in the Church are always represented in the Sabbath-school, first as scholars and afterwards as teachers in their turn, while from these, as from a centre, mission-schools are undertaken in quarters where they are very sorely needed. There are 917 Sabbath-schools in connection with the Canada Conference, manned by 8,377 teachers and