

the due cultivation of the moral and spiritual faculties, as well as those of the intellect and bodily frame.

With great respect I have the honor to be, your very obedient and faithful servant,

R. W. HENEKER, D.C.L., L.L.D.,
Chancellor.

His Honor replied as follows :

Mr Chancellor :

I think that in replying to the kind words contained in your address to me, my first duty would be to thank you for your expression of loyalty to our most gracious Queen. Those are no vain words, I feel sure, Mr. Chancellor, for if we all know there is no sovereign in the world more respected and beloved, we can also say there are none more grateful and devoted to Her Majesty than the people of this Province, for the great boon of liberty and justice, with which we have been favored since she ascended the throne.

And now, Sir, let me say that it is with feelings of deepest gratitude that I have accepted the high honor conferred upon me to-day. I may assure you, Mr. Chancellor, that I fully appreciate the favor of seeing my name on the distinguished list of your graduates, and I will long remember the kindness through which I have been so agreeably allowed the advantage of becoming associated with your University.

It is not without signification to my mind that this great seat of learning has been placed in this centre of progress, called the Eastern Townships. It has undoubtedly derived from this fact a large share of the great influence which it has acquired in matters of education. This influence has been exercised through such distinguished representatives as yourself, Mr. Chancellor, and many others, who have so earnestly labored on the Protestant Committee of the Council of Public Instruction for everything that could favor the cause of science and learning. And if I am allowed to offer you my evidence, I may say that during the rare occasions upon which the two Committees of this Council had to sit together, I had the opportunity of observing that clear foresight with which you, Mr. Chancellor, led the way to constant reform and improvement.

With such men at the head of your University, I am not surprised at being told of the efforts you make and the success you obtain in the course of studies which you provide for your students. You know the value of sound and wisely progressive education, and I am sure it is a source of great satisfaction and pride, when, in days like this, passing in review the distinguished men who have had the benefit of your teaching, you feel justified in repeating the noble words of your motto, "Recti Cultus Pectora Roborant."

The Chancellor then briefly addressed the Convocation. The illness of Principal Adams had caused great grief at the University at the beginning of the year, but he was glad to say that the last news received from Dr. Adams was that he was much improved in health. (Great applause.) In the closing days of the year the University had been called upon to mourn the loss of one of its leading and most highly respected students, the late Henry Richmond, who sacrificed his life in saving that of another. The Chancellor referred to the able manner in which the Vice-Principal, Rev. Dr. Allnatt, had performed the duties of his office. He had shown himself worthy of his work. The establishment of a new chair, a professorship in English subjects, was one of the marked signs of the University's progress.

The Vice-Principal, Rev. Dr. Allnatt, presented the Report of progress during the past year, and also the Report of the Faculty of Divinity. Both of these Reports indicated the flourishing condition in which the whole institution is at the present time, and they speak very hopefully for the future.

Following the Reports came the conferring of Degrees. The Vice-Principal, Rev. Dr. Allnatt, presented the candidates, and Chancellor Heneker conferred on them their degrees and presented them with their diplomas. We gave last month the names of the most prominent recipients.

And, then, after the presentation of the Prizes, the Chancellor called upon Mr. M. A. Phelan to read the valedictory in behalf of the Art Students. It was indisputably a masterpiece both in composition and delivery.