

of praise, that has been ringing in your ears ever since a knowing world proclaimed you

"SILVER TONGUED!"

We read with proud delight the noble utterances of your Catholic heart at the glorious Congress in Baltimore. May we, since we actually possess you for a little while, presume so far on your condescension, as to beg you let us hear from your lips a few words of good cheer in the great cause we too love so well—and would wish to see triumphant everywhere.

THE PUPILS OF N. D. DU S. C.

Replying to these pleasing words of welcome, Mr. Dougherty said that he was touched by the repeated marks of esteem tendered to him since his arrival at the capital. He regretted that pressing engagements allowed him to spend but a few moments at the convent, otherwise he would be pleased to address them in terms of cheer and encouragement for their work of the future. However he would favor them with a recitation. Accordingly, the distinguished visitor favored the young ladies with two humorous selections which he rendered in his usual inimitable manner.

In the evening, Mr. Dougherty dined, by invitation, with Lord Stanley, and in the morning took the train for New York.

### THE ATHLETIC ENTERTAINMENT.

The distinguished audience that filled our Academic Hall to its utmost capacity, on the evening of Tuesday the 11th inst., was of one opinion when leaving—the entire success of this year's athletic entertainment. And truly it was the most brilliant success that, the students have ever achieved in this particular direction. Not a feature of the programme failed to impress the spectators, and not a movement of the participants lacked the precision, elegance and grace which characterized the whole. When the College Band had opened the entertainment with an excellent selection entitled "Les Echos de l'Eure," the curtain rose on the Juniors in Zouave dress, whose pleasing rendition of "We're Champions again" called forth repeatedly the applause of the spectators. The Zouaves never appeared to better advantage, and Master F. Lamoureux, who sang the solo, deserves great credit for the manner in which he acquitted

himself. Gymnastic performance on the parallel bars was the next feature of the programme. Mr. R. Paradis as leader, together with Messrs. Donovan, Langlois, Saborin, Robidoux and Verreault, though performing some difficult feats, were quite equal to their task, and Mr. Eddie Gleason, who on many previous occasions, won admiration by his clever handling of the Indian clubs, added another to his already large number of successful appearances. The solos "En parlant de ma Mere" by Mr. C. J. Charbonneau and "Across the Bridge," by Mr. W. S. Woods were exceptionally well rendered, the latter bringing out as an encore the popular song "The King's Highway." The presentation to the champion foot-ballers of the beautiful trophy, so generously offered by the citizens of Ottawa, was the next feature of the evening's entertainment. Mr. P. D. Ross, of the *Ottawa Evening Journal*, in the name of the contributors, read the following address, in handing over the elegant cup to the champions:—

*To the Ottawa University Rugby Football Club,  
Champions of Canada and unbeaten since  
1885.*

In presenting to the Ottawa University Rugby Football Club the accompanying trophy, emblematic of the championship of Ontario for five years and of Canada for three, the citizens of Ottawa desire to express their admiration for the pluck, energy and unselfishness which so long have made the University football teams invincible.

Their splendid record maintained often in the face of great disadvantages is, we believe, due not only to many individual qualities, but to skill and discipline, the attainment of which reflects credit upon young Canadian manhood and indicates a valuable training for the duties of after life.

In this sense, the success of the University football team should be a matter for the sincerest gratification, not only to the noble institution of learning, which they represent in the fields, but to all who admire and encourage manliness, self-reliance and vigor in the young men of Ottawa and of the Dominion.

We ask, therefore, the acceptance by the University football club of the accompanying trophy from friends and admirers in Ottawa, without distinction of class, as a tribute to the indomitable spirit of the College champion team, and as a testimonial of the respect and esteem which their splendid record has earned. While regretting that unfortunate circumstances have necessitated an honorable retirement, while yet unbeaten, from the Ontario Rugby Union, whose championship the College team has arduously held for so many years, we would express the conviction that public opinion will continue to esteem them the true holders of the championship until they are fairly beaten in the field, and finally, we hope, in pre-