

an ample and secured endowment. He acknowledged the difficulty of which the Bishop had spoken in the want of men, and he believed it was the fault of the laymen. When they considered the allowances made to clergymen, they would see that there was no inducement for talented and competent men to enter the ministry. He believed, however, that with the beginning of a new era they ought to be able to do something to remedy this. (Applause.) The Bishop had given them great pledges, and it was now their duty to realize the expectations he had formed of them, so that the school might be, as it was expected to be, a great aid to him in carrying out his work in this Diocese.

Mr. T. M. BENSON said he did not despair of seeing the time when this school and Trinity College would be united. In speaking on this matter it was not with a spirit of hostility towards that institution, but with a spirit of brotherly love, and a hope that the two would co-operate in the common cause of training young men for the glorious work of spreading the Gospel. He could not sit down before expressing his gratification at the successful and harmonious termination of the Synod, and now they might look forward with warm feelings of hope to the time when the Church of England in this Diocese would occupy the position, as she should, of the first church in the land.

Dr. WILSON said that in the establishment of the Divinity School, they recognised the great wants of the Church and of the age, when it was indispensable that their ministers should be thoroughly educated men in science and other branches as well as theology. They wished to turn out men strong in the belief of Evangelical doctrines as found in the 39 Articles, and with clear and distinct views on all Church matters. This he believed the school would be successful in accomplishing.

Vice-Chancellor BLAKE followed in an able and eloquent appeal, to which our reports do very scanty justice. He said that God had dispelled the dark cloud that had hung over them for so long a time, and there now came down showers of delight. Once upon a time they used to meet with one hand only free to work, for the other had to hold the weapon. That night they met with both hands free, and under the fostering care of the Bishop. There were times when it was necessary to call out the "Reserves." This was such a time. They required all the reserve force they could command in order to place the School upon an efficient and substantial basis. He trusted that every one present would show their interest in a practical way. Mr. Howland and he were going at once to work to complete their subscription list, and he confidently looked for a hearty and generous response. (Applause.)

The proceedings then closed, the benediction having first been pronounced by the Bishop.

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At a subsequent Meeting of the friends of the School, it was decided to incorporate under the name of "The Protestant Episcopal Divinity School Corporation," which was duly effected on 5th July, 1879. A list of the Trustees, Officers and Teaching Staff will be found on the following pages.