

Principal, who spoke a few words of acknowledgment. The College was brilliantly lighted up, and the electric and lime lights, under the supervision of Professors Johnston and Harrington, lit up the surrounding neighbourhood quite brightly. The crowd, after expressing themselves highly delighted with the success of the demonstration, separated with cheers for the Faculties, and a united hurrah for the University.

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VICEREGAL VISIT.

On Saturday afternoon the Governor-General and H. R. H. the Princess Louise visited the University, and were received by the undergraduates in a manner which reflected great credit upon them and the committee who arranged the programme.

By three o'clock all the students had congregated on the college steps, and all save the singing committee proceeded to take up their position at the gate, where they awaited the arrival of Their Excellencies, whiling away the monotony of their guardianship by songs and glees. As the time passed and graduates and benefactors with their ladies drove up the avenue in countless numbers, the students could scarcely repress their murmurings, for remembering the terrible crush that had taken place in Molson Hall on the occasion of Lord Dufferin's visit, they imagined that the occurrence would find a repetition in the day's proceedings. When, however, it was known that the Faculty had made satisfactory arrangements for their accommodation, and that the Hall was yet far from being full, they quickly regained their good spirits, and sang with more vigour, and chafed with greater energy the crowd and custodians of the peace, who stood without the gate. About half-past three one of the mounted escort drove up to the College, bearing a note from Colonel Lyttleton to the Chancellor, saying that the party would arrive at four, and at four precisely the shining helmets of the dragoons announced the coming of the illustrious visitors. Silence prevailed, and the instructions of the members of the committee who were assembled without the gate were heard up the whole line of four hundred students ranged on either side of the avenue. As the party entered the gate those without led

off in three ringing cheers, which were given with such heartiness as to startle the crowd that had gathered on Sherbrooke street, and all spontaneously broke out into the National Anthem. The vice-regal party drove rapidly up the avenue to the entrance door of the Hall, where they were met by the Chancellor and Governors, and conducted up to the Hall. The students slowly followed, four deep, headed by the Committee, and entering the main building passed through the corridor by the museum and librarian's room, where they met the singing Committee, and entered the Hall after the Convocation, singing Latoria in true McGill style, the solo being sung by the sixteen warblers.

Owing to the forethought of the authorities in having the seats removed from the centre of the Hall, the students were enabled to take up their positions without that crowding and crushing so noticeable on former occasions of a similar nature.

The proceedings opened by the reading of the following address by Chancellor Day on behalf of the Corporation of the University:

ADDRESS.

*To His Excellency the Most Noble the Marquis of Lorne,
Governor-General of the Dominion of Canada:*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY.—The Governors, Principal and Fellows of McGill University desire to offer to Your Excellency a cordial welcome, and in doing so to express their gratification that in approaching Your Excellency as the Representative of our Gracious Queen, they have also the privilege of welcoming the official visitor of this University under its Royal Charter.

In this relation Your Excellency's predecessors have ever shown a lively interest in McGill University, and in the cause of higher education represented by it; and in now hoping for like sympathy and encouragement the University has the satisfaction of knowing that it appeals to one who has heretofore been a patron of learning, and who has himself taken an acknowledged place in literature.

The Governors, Principal and Fellows beg leave to tender to Your Excellency their cordial good wishes, that the highest prosperity and success may attend Your Excellency's administration of the affairs of this Dominion, and their prayer that, with God's blessing, you may be enabled to discharge the duties of your exalted office in such a manner as to secure the welfare of all classes of the people, and to afford a just source of satisfaction to yourself.

They also beg leave respectfully to offer their cordial good wishes to Her Royal Highness the Princess Louise, in whom they are happy to recognize one who has been a patroness of education in the mother country, and who they hope may exert a similar beneficent influence here.

Signed, on behalf of the Corporation,

CHARLES DEWEY DAY, D.C.L., LL.D.,
Chancellor.

30th Nov., 1878.

To which His Excellency made the following reply: