

school, joined in generous rivalry at college, and maintained through life friendships formed in ingenuous youth. A deep, wide-spread national enlightenment developed under those conditions; the highest places in literature and science were open to the humblest if he could win them, and any one who knows the history of British literature can testify to the large number of Scotsmen represented there, many of whom sprang from the lower grades of society. It has occurred to me, therefore, to suggest that it would be in keeping with your character as a Scottish Society, and a fitting memorial of your Jubilee year, if you were to consider whether the promotion of the higher education on the lines of the Scotch University system might not properly engage your attention. Our University in this city bears the name of a Scotchman, who will ever be held in honour by this Society, as her first president, the Hon. Peter McGill. In all its leading characteristics McGill University follows the Scottish model; and there are few ways in which Scottish instinct can find a better outlet for its munificence than by the foundation of bursaries or scholarships for the promotion of the higher culture in connection with McGill, after the manner of our forefathers. I presume some alteration in the constitution of the Society might be required to cover such an undertaking, as I have suggested. But, if the suggestion be taken up unanimously, I am sure any difficulties in that direction could be easily surmounted. I merely throw out the hint. Your jubilee year is an appropriate time to make a new departure, and as you may be said to be in easy circumstances relative to the special work which has hitherto engaged your attention, any broadening of the basis of the Society would not hamper your present operations, and it would probably awaken a still wider interest in the Society among Scotsmen generally.

Members of St. Andrew's Society! You have given yourselves to find out your own brother of the same flesh and blood as yourselves, and to carry out a work which none other could so well discharge, because you understand him better and he understands you better than anyone else. Thus far you imitate the spirit of your Patron Saint. Imitate him in act as well. The Scottish Church has been the glory of our nation, and her precept is "Be good thyself and pious, that thy brother also may be good and pious." This day you lift up your stone of remembrance, and inscribe upon it, "Hitherto hath the Lord helped us." Let your light so shine before men, that they, seeing your good works, may glorify our Father, which is in heaven.

Now, to God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Ghost, be the praise, world without end.—AMEN.

At the conclusion of the service the members returned to the lecture room, where, on motion of, the PRESIDENT, seconded by JAMES WRIGHT, Esq. President of the Caledonian Society, a vote of thanks was unanimously tendered to the Chaplain for his impressive and instructive sermon, and he was requested to allow it to be published and embodied in the annual report of the Society for 1885. This request the Chaplain granted. The meeting then adjourned.

W. ALEXR. CALDWELL, *Secretary.*

HUGH McLENNAN, *President.*