

It is, therefore, with particular joy and pride that we can, this year, point out to a notable increase in the student body. The United States, Quebec, and even the most distant Provinces of the Dominion, are here represented in considerable number, but above all, Ontario has so swelled our ranks as to constitute a record attendance, far beyond the capacity of our present accommodations, and necessitating the opening of annexes in the immediate vicinity of the Arts Building.

The Grand Seminary which comes under Your Grace's more immediate supervision, has likewise been favoured with many new recruits; and, besides being a diocesan institution, attracts subjects from other parts of Canada, owing to the soundness of its theological teaching, and the thoroughness of the ecclesiastical training which it affords.

We take great pleasure in making known to Your Grace the extent of our improvements, because we are certain that above all others you will be exceedingly gratified to learn how constant is the progress which your University is making. We trust that you will continue to interest yourself in our behalf; that you will still use your influence to promote the good work to which you have already lent a helping hand, and while assuring you of our loyalty and love, we confidently hope that Almighty God may long spare you to revisit and receive filial welcome in this abode of science — to protect and watch over Alma Mater.

THE STUDENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF OTTAWA.

Replying in both languages His Grace thanked the students sincerely for their expression of loyalty and attachment. He assured them that he took a very deep and lively interest both in their welfare and the welfare of the institution.

As priest, Archbishop and now as Chancellor he has ever had a warm regard for Ottawa University. He regretted that his visits were rather scarce, but he was always with them in spirit.

He was especially pleased to learn of the increased number in the student ranks. The fame of the institution has gone far, and as a result each year sees many new faces from all parts in the college. Even the grand seminary can boast of an increase over previous years.

His Grace then explained at some length the great necessity of work and prayer. "Labora et ora" should be the motto of every student. There is nothing of any account accomplished without