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HAVE much pleasure in coming before you in this capacity and on this occasion. I regard it as a distinction and account it a high honour to be enrolled upon the professorial staff of this University, and I would take this opportunity of thanking the trustees for this conferment. I am proud to be associated with those whose names are well known on both sides of the Atlantic for eminence in the realms of authorship, philosophy, theology, and other branches of art and science.

Only this afternoon I received a letter from Dr. James Bonar of London, a distinguished member of the British Association and Senior Examiner of the Civil Service Commission, in which he desires to be kindly remembered to his old friend, Professor John Watson. When my wife and I were asked to break up our beautiful home in Clifton and come to this city we willingly sacrificed our *lares* and *penates* or packed them in boxes, and defied distances and tumultuous elements to reach this goal, and I am in a very grateful mood just now because I am here and we are well, and further have found the marked kindness of those whom

we have met, and the charming associations and natural beauties of this place, no small compensation for our expatriation and the tribulations of transit.

In succeeding Professor Glover I follow one of the most distinguished graduates of my old University, for "Glover of John's" was a name to conjure with in Cambridge 10 years ago. May his mantle fall upon no unworthy shoulders. I am proud to learn that the Arts department of this College is second to none in the Dominion: in this, as in other respects, I am entering upon the labours of others and reap where they have sown, but I am looking forward with some degree of confident expectation that I too may not be without my share in upholding the high reputation already gained by this University and in advancing her interests by serving her well.

But I must pass on to my subject. I thought it not inopportune to briefly consider the kind of education secured by eminent men of classical, Roman and Biblical times and in a few words examine how far their training coincides with ours to-day, and in what particular it falls short of what we need. The late Bishop of Durham in his luminous Lessons on Work re-