

critics, the innovators, are multiplied on every hand, and are fully on the alert. Nothing now can possibly escape the crucible. The difficulty now is to find something that has been sufficiently tested to be let alone; to get some point of settled faith, and some field of honest toil, where one may live and grow without being overborne by the pressure of new theories, and the clamour of loud voices. One needs at times to cultivate a kind of deafness and repose, waiting upon God, and hoping that the solid rocks of the globe will still hold together, and the great dome of the sky be still spread out as a tent to dwell in. God Himself does not hasten, but carries humanity slowly along through successive dispensations. His great Providence will sift, and try, and fashion all things. What we most need is to grasp firmly the few essential and eternal verities of religious faith, hope, and charity, and then with child-like humility seek to mould ourselves upon them, remembering that all men here must "see through a glass darkly," and that the end of life is discipline rather than knowledge.

Finally I charge you to be loyal to your Alma Mater. You have reason to love the University. She has done much for you. You are different men from what you were when you first entered her walls. She has developed, strengthened, and enriched you as nothing else but a University could have done. You have got possession of new powers as well as new attainments. All the future achievements of life have been made possible to you by the training you have here received. You have been lifted up and made to stand on a ladder the rungs of which mount ever upward. It is as if you had been made inhabitants of another sphere—a world where the vision is wider, and where the soul is touched with new inspirations. No man can ever repay to any good University the debt he owes. I would have you recognise and feel this obligation, and trust you will all through life do what you can, by your influence and affluence, to increase the resources and efficiency of your Alma Mater. Nor is it too much to say that, whatever noble things you may achieve, you can do nothing better than to aid in building up a great seminary of learning founded on Christian principles and pervaded by a Christian spirit. In the name of the University and on behalf of my colleagues in the Faculty I bid you God-speed in the arduous race of life. I wish you success in the ordinary acceptation of the