

As regards the Universities, I feel that in this new country we must, if we are to hold any position in the world, train our men, and train them highly, for the work we expect of them. And this can only be done through the Universities.

I ask any impartial man, to look at the class of men who govern England to-day—whether known as Conservatives, Liberals or Radicals—such men for instance as Mr. Gladstone, Lord Salisbury, Mr. Goschen, Mr. John Morley, and the late Lord Iddesleigh (Sir Stafford Northcote). Such men are the products of English Universities.

I say then, avoid carefully the weakening of our University system. It is weak enough as it is, and requires the support of men of a high class, as well as of money. In time the ball will gather as it rolls, and we may hope to show a good result from institutions founded in faith and love, and carried on under adverse circumstances with self-denial and hope.

Do not let us weaken its influence, or throw unnecessary impediments in its way.

Your obedient servant,

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