His unreported charities were numerous and wisely distributed. He sought to do his alms before God, and not before men to be seen of them. The Father who seeth in secret alone knoweth in what abundant measure he gave help and comfort to others.

"As a Christian he was devout, conscientious, consistent. His christianity was a life and character rather than a demonstrative profession. He detested quackery and sham in religion, and he was right. I had opportunities of knowing his views on these matters intimately. For many years he was an exemplary member and office-bearer of the Free Church, Coté Street, now Crescent Street Church. He served with me there most faithfully as a deacon during my entire pastorate, and was twice elected as an elder, the duties of which office, through the modest estimate of his own ability, he judged himself unable to undertake.

"His simple trust in the Word and in the Christ of God was the secret of his meek and quiet spirit, unfailing generosity and sterling worth. And I must add that in all his Christian service and public munificence he was lovingly aided by his partner in life, with whom, in her great bereavement, we today deeply sympathize. Finally, in this hour of sorrow over the removal of one of Montreal's noble benefactors, let us seek through the mediation of Jesus Christ the help of His Holy Spirit that we may emulate the example of the one whose memory we honor."

Another member of the Corporation of the University, the Rev. George Douglas, LL.D., Principal of the Wesleyan Theological College, died on February 10th, 1894. Born in Scotland in 1825, he came with his parents to Montreal in 1832. Educated in England for the ministry of the Methodist Church, he went as a missionary to the West Indies, and returning subsequently to Canada for ministerial work, was appointed eventually head of the Wesleyan Theological College in Montreal. The duties of this office he discharged with great efficiency. In 1870 the University conferred upon him the degree of LL.D., "Honoris Causâ."