

noun. Ladies and gentlemen, to you it is given to play some part on this great theatre of action, where deathless destiny is at stake. It is your rare privilege to sow the seeds of knowledge in the rich soil of youthful minds. Be thankful ; it is an exalted privilege to be permitted to stamp ineffaceable impressions on such enduring monuments ; or in any degree influence the destiny of immortal natures. Be patient ; though your labours may seem fruitless and lost, "in due season you shall reap if you faint not." Be cautious and discriminating. There are many subtle and plausible speculations afloat, which conceal some fatal falsehood, which if once received, will cast you adrift upon a sea of uncertainty, where no harbour of safety can be found. Be true to what is right, in all circumstances. Your life and spirit will be sure to reappear in the lives of those whom you instruct. Be steadfast and true ; though the battle be severe, and the issue at times seems doubtful, if true to yourself the victory is sure.

"Fear not, though your foes be strong and tried,
And threatening shadows fall ;
The angels of heaven are on thy side,
And God is over all."

The speaker resumed his seat amid loud applause ; and a cordial vote of thanks was passed to the rev. gentleman for having delivered such an interesting lecture.
