ADDRESS

AT THE CONVOCATION OF THE

UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO,

JUNE 10TH, 1890,

BY THE CHANCELLOR,

THE HON. EDWARD BLAKE, LL.D., Q.C., M.P.

MY first words must be an expression of cordial and grateful thanks to my fellow-graduates for my re-election to the chair, and to my fellow-senators for that last and signal mark of the regard of the University which I now wear. I gladly acknowledge myself to be bound even more closely than before, and by links I have no wish to break—by links of heartfelt gratitude for kindness undeserved—to the maintenance and advancement, so far as in me lies, of the interests and the honor of the University of Toronto.

I begin, as is customary, by a few figures, but by fewer than are customary; and, indeed, I shall omit much I could have wished to say, because I must trespass on your patience by other figures and unusual topics before I close. Our statistical progress has been, if not very rapid, yet on the whole satisfactory. I take the last four years. The results are in the Faculty of Arts:

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Matriculants	187	217	220	232
Bachelors	77	85	78	84
Persons examined	694	751	784	855