

MR. PRESIDENT, STUDENTS AND LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:

Before entering upon the duty specially set down on the programme, permit me a word on two points.

Our lives are largely made up of events which tend to awaken emotions of sadness and sorrow, and of events which stir within us sensations of gladness and pleasure.

As we assemble here this evening there comes to many of us a feeling of sadness and sorrow as we miss the familiar form and cheerful face of him who was for many years the honored President of our College. During the year, Dr. C. S. Chittenden has ceased from his labors and entered into rest. Though in our professional and social gatherings we shall see his face and hear his kindly voice no more, his memory will long be lovingly cherished by those of us who have had the pleasure and privilege of close association with him. Among the pleasant events of this occasion is the presence with us of Dr. Beers, of Montreal, a gentleman who has long enjoyed a continental reputation as a brilliant and racy writer of both general and technical literature, and who is more widely known in professional circles, both in the Old World and in the New, than any other dentist in the Dominion.

The fact that he is here to deliver *the* address of the evening is especially gratifying, inasmuch as it assures you the pleasure of listening to an accomplished speaker, and reduces the responsibility devolving upon me to the delivery of a few parting words to the students.

And now, Mr. President, I come to the discharge of the duty to which you have called me.

*Gentlemen of the Graduated Class of 1890:*

On behalf of the Faculty, I return sincere thanks for the kind words to which Mr. Mills, speaking for you, has given utterance. The exceedingly pleasant relations which have existed between the members of the class, and between the class and us, during the past session, have been very gratifying to your teachers, and for them I assure you that the attendance, attention and attainments of the class have been in an unusual degree satisfactory.

Permit me to express the hope that these friendships may long continue unbroken.