

“Reference has been made to some of the more prominent and important events which occurred in the history of the University during his term of office. But these by no means conclude the sum of his labours. While he did much to promote the marvellous University expansion which has been spoken of, he also devoted much time, thought and care to the less conspicuous, though not less important, details connected with the administration of the domestic affairs of the University.

“He was an active participator in every movement having in view the improvement of the curriculum, and of the methods of examination. He was deeply interested in every question affecting the position and status of the students, and the betterment of the conditions under which they pursued their courses of study. Time does not permit of extended reference to these to-day. I will only say that I believe every student of his day will acknowledge that his sympathies were with them; that he understood and appreciated their trials and difficulties; and that he was always ready to advise and assist them.

“One great consideration he never lost sight of. He always bore in mind that this University is the University of the people, established by the people, and maintained by the people for the people; created and designed to do its share in moulding and building up the minds and characters of the people who must in their turn assume the burden of building up, maintaining and carrying on the affairs of this great, free and self-governing country.

“In this, as in that other work in which he has been engaged in more recent days, and to which reference has already been made, he proved himself essentially a man of the people.