

selves and by the men of their generation. He has always felt that the institution to which he is proud to belong stands for something, for some great aspect of truth which is necessary for the life of the world, and that that truth finds embodiment in professors and students, and that it constitutes the living bond which makes all the factors of the institution a living, growing organism. In such an institution a graduate never loses interest ; he will have his enthusiasm fired whenever he thinks of her, and will always be ready to work for and make sacrifices to promote her prosperity, and will seek to insure that in her halls from year to year will be men of pure life, of fearless thinking and courageous conduct.

A college having this spirit, having graduates with such sentiments, will never be considered superfluous. It will stand for something which will enter into and be indispensable to the life of church and state ; it will cherish a generous and appreciative spirit towards all other colleges, and will not forget that in our growing country there will be a place for each college, and that each one will stand for some great characteristic such as will broaden and vitalize the church for her great mission upon the earth.

The strength of a college does not depend so much upon fine buildings, large endowments, or even scholarly professors, as upon a sentiment of loyalty and love on the part of all identified with it, an enthusiasm begotten of the idea that their college represents what is best in life and that a vital, sympathetic relationship exists between professors, students and alumni. While all that pertains to the method of the self-seeking demagogue and unscrupulous politician must be put aside with contempt, yet it is not surely too much for the child to expect different consideration at the hands of its parent from that which he receives from strangers. It is not incompatible with a man's duties to others to realize that his own children have claims upon him which, if not met, will disqualify him for the proper discharge of his duties towards everybody else. The college that has in it the elements of duration and