

arrangements for a debate with Toronto University.

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### OPENING WORDS BY THE CHANCELLOR AT CONVOCATION.

OCTOBER 14TH, 1892.

It is my agreeable duty on this occasion to welcome on the platform several gentlemen from a distance, who have come to celebrate the re-establishment of the Medical Faculty of Queen's University. Before calling on the first on the list to address you, I desire to offer my congratulations on the satisfactory arrangement which has been consummated, and to give utterance to my best wishes for its success.

We have now finally incorporated into Queen's the medical teaching of what was formerly the function of the Royal College of Surgeons. Hitherto the teaching of medical science has been effected by a body not of us but working with us. It has now become a part of the work of the University. Such an arrangement, in my humble judgment, will prove in every way beneficial by placing the control of this important branch directly under the governing body of Queen's, and the degrees we grant will be obtained by observance of the rules prescribed by the Senate.

I, myself, regard hopefully the future. On the part of the University it will be our duty to perfect in all respects the requirements of the Medical Faculty and extend to it the support and sustenance which the new arrangement entails upon us, so that the students who may hereafter seek for knowledge in medical science may attain the highest standard of excellence.

At the commencement of another academic year, naturally it is my wish to say a few words to the undergraduates; those who are either present in continuance of their course, or who are entering the College for the first year. As there are other speakers my words must be extremely few. I will only impress upon the students of all classes the necessity of constant diligence and application. The learning of the lecturers may be of the highest order, and the power of imparting it above criticism, but without attention, regular study, labour and system on the part of the student, he can derive no adequate advantage. In order that his attendance at this University may be of benefit to himself, he must learn and practice self-command and mental discipline. If the seeds of these are sown in early youth within these walls the fruits will undoubtedly be found in after life.

I am sure that there is not a single member of the staff who is not anxious to devote his best energies to expand and strengthen the mental faculties of all who attend upon his teaching. It is not to them either collectively or individually that appeal is necessary. I appeal, and I do so most earnestly, to the young men who have come here from many homes, to live and act so that they may leave the College halls without one regret for time wasted or talents misapplied.

There is a matter of importance affecting the usefulness of this seat of learning, and I know of no more opportune time for bringing it specially to notice than on this occasion, when we are assembled to celebrate an event which adds so much to the completeness of the University. It is the condition of our library. Although the books are generally well selected and the attempt has been made to gather the best standard works in the various branches of literature and science as far as we have been able, we cannot shut our eyes to the fact that it is in some respects deficient; briefly it may be said that it is not provided to the extent that the library attached to this institution ought to be.

We number twenty or twenty-five thousand volumes; among them many rare and excellent works, and in the subordinate branches of literature the student will probably find many of the authorities he may seek. I am