which would prepare men to be more active and more efficient in competition". As it seemed to me inadvisable to let these assertions go on indefinitely without a reply, I seized the opportunity some five years ago when I was asked to write an article for the McGill Annual to show on philosophical and rational grounds how commerce and industry as the greatest of our modern institutions, had necessarily to be represented in the University.

I was able to point out, and I think satisfactorily, that the modern University was the
representative of the whole of society from the
point of view of reason or understanding, and that
it has evolved naturally, signifying the necessity
and even the mysterious secret determination of
modern society to live and be ruled by the intellect,
thus marking off our civilization from all previous
civilizations.

Reason, I argued, does not view society as split up into a number of parts, or as a mechanical conglomeration of individuals. It looks upon society as one and indivisible, the whole being represented