

he directed attention to the fact that the announcement of next session is that of the forty-ninth year of the University, and expressed the hope that its fiftieth year might be signalized not only by improvements in its work, not only by a new career of usefulness, but also by important additions to its endowments and to its buildings. As hopeful indications of this he was happy to be able to announce that Mr. David Morrice had given an annual scholarship of \$100 in the faculty of medicine, and that Mr. George Hague had announced his intention to give for four years an exhibition of \$120 in the faculty of Arts. "It is true that gifts of this kind do not increase our actual wealth, but they increase the number of our students, aid able and deserving men to secure an education they would not otherwise receive, and attract the highest and best style of students. For this reason I have always been inclined to regard the establishment and maintenance of ten scholarships by one of our best friends, Mr. W. C. McDonald, as one of the most important contributions to the advancement of the higher education in this Province."

In the course of the proceedings the Rev. Archibald Duff, Professor at Airedale College, Bradford, Yorkshire, England, was admitted to the degree of L. L. D. The degree was taken under the new regulations, the graduation thesis offered being on the History of the Idea of Atonement among the Hebrews, from the time of Amos to the liberation by Cyrus from the Babylonian exile.

COMPARATIVE TABLE OF THE SUMS

ANNUALLY DISBURSED FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF SCHOOLS IN THE STATES, PROVINCES AND TOWNS ENUMERATED.

By the courtesy of the Roman Catholic School Commissioners, we are enabled to print the accompanying table. It contains ample proof, if such were needed, of the small price at which education is provided in Montreal. Before the Educational Protection grievance was mooted, "School Taxes" was a favourite subject of discussion in our daily papers. We recollect, however, that the *Star* at least pointed out, what will now be sufficiently apparent, that Montreal, far from suffering under excessive taxation to support its educational system, is exceptionally favoured in this way. The following statement would be a sufficient ground for increasing such taxation, should the need be shown.