

And yet, and yet, though the results after sixty years perhaps fall short of those wished for, they do seem even better than could have been reasonably hoped for at the beginning. The tangible and material results obtained by an individual or an institution are those most readily recognized. In this order, to speak only of advantages it now offers, the College founded in Bytown in 1848 now has degree-conferring powers from church and state. It has over fifty professors, prefects and instructors. The entire time of that large number is given to the work in the five departments of the College—the Theological, Philosophical, Arts, Collegiate and Business Departments.

Much building, and much destruction by fire have been prominent features since the first Commencement Day six decades ago. As permanent net result we have two fire-proof structures ranking amongst the finest and best-equipped college buildings in Canada. Spacious athletic grounds, more than six acres, within the city limits, are a very important and useful part of the material possessions acquired during the last sixty years.

The buildings and grounds of an educational institution, and even its charter and courses of study are perhaps rather guarantees of future usefulness than proofs of past success. If the University of Ottawa has so far really fulfilled the hopes and wishes probably expressed on this occasion sixty years ago, it has been by results of the physical, intellectual and moral orders produced in the boys and young men who have been taught here. What then of the number of students and their success in life?

The attendance at first was naturally small, but it has gradually grown. The list of students was published for the first time in the University Calendar issued at the end of the academic year 1882. It shows about two hundred registered in all departments. The Calendar which will be out in a few days will show over five hundred names on the registers for the year now closing. The largest attendance so far.

In every province of the Dominion, as well as in many of the neighbouring states are found old students of the University of Ottawa, and many of them have reached foremost places in the callings of their choice. To signalize the success of just a few since last Commencement.

The list which I have here shows some old students, who during the past year (I am not out many weeks, I am sure) have reached the positions coupled with their names. The list is made out in the order of the time of appointment or election, if my memory serves me well: