

## THE VERY REVEREND RECTOR'S RETURN.



**A**FTER an absence of nearly five months, occasioned by serious illness, the Very Rev. Father Constantineau, O.M.I., D.D., Rector of the University, returned to assume his duties on Thursday evening, April 18th. We are glad to announce that the Rector, after the treatment he has received at the hands of a renowned specialist in Lowell, Mass., comes back to us fully restored in health, a fact which will surely be pleasing news to the many friends both of himself and of *Alma Mater* over which for the past three years he has so ably presided. That none were more pleased than the students to learn of the Rector's complete restoration to health and to have him once more amongst us, was fully testified by the rousing reception tendered him almost immediately after his arrival. On behalf of the students Rev. Father Campeau, O.M.I., Prefect of Discipline, requested the Rector to visit the Study Hall, where the students had assembled for the purpose of reading an address of welcome and congratulation on his convalescence. A good old V-A-R greeted the appearance of the Rector in the Study Hall. and after the cheering had subsided Mr. T. G. Morin, '01, read the following address :

VERY REVEREND AND DEAR RECTOR,—

When, some months ago, you were compelled through serious illness to retire from the arduous labors of the Rectorship, the student body was deeply grieved, and fervent prayers were offered that it would not be long ere God, in His goodness, would restore you to your accustomed good health.

It was then, with no little pleasure that we, the students of Ottawa University, heard that you were about to return to assume your duties, and we felt that we could not allow the occasion to pass without, in some manner, giving you an assurance of the joy we feel at once more having you in our midst. We were doubly glad, too, to learn that you come back to us fully restored in health and strength, and we fervently thank God that He has spared you to continue that good work you are doing and have already done in this institution.

We pray you, then, Very Reverend Rector, to accept the students' heartfelt welcome, and our assurance of the gratitude we feel toward our Heavenly Father for the restoration of your health. We also desire to extend to you our best wishes for your future well-being, and may God long spare you to guard and prosper your and our beloved *Alma Mater*.