

Theology here, in the very language of Calvin, and with the ability of a Vinet or a Sabatier.

And our Senate, we dare say, would not be opposed to an increase in its French staff, were the means forthcoming.

Should this ever be done, we have no doubt that students would come to our College, as they have already done, from all parts of Canada and the United States, and in larger numbers.

Besides, some practical advantages would be reached by such a departure. Those of us whose mother tongue is French would have our studies made easier. A larger part of our course being in French, we would stand on almost equal ground with our English fellow-students for facilities. Then, those scholarships, offered to us for competition, because we study mostly in English, could be done away with. They might be turned over to the Gaelic Department for the further encouragement of the study of that beautiful, melodious language, the sweet notes of which it is sometimes our privilege to hear in our College halls.

But pardon us this digression—if such a thing be possible in a Valedictory—and allow us, fellow-students whom we leave behind, to speak a word to you.

We may as well confess that we are sorry to break the ties which have for so many years united us so closely.

We have been brought together here under the same hospitable roof; we have pursued the same ends; we have toiled side by side with a common object in view. In doing this, we have learned to appreciate one another, and we have often been mutually helpful. But, now that our work of preparation is over, we must leave you and enter on a wider sphere of usefulness. Though separated by distances and unseen to each other, we will nevertheless continue to live united by the bonds of sympathy. You will soon join our ranks as graduates of this College; but while you remain here, may you perpetuate the traditions which we ourselves inherited from our predecessors. Our motto has been "*Ora et labora*;" we leave it in your hands. We trust that the spirit of harmony between the representatives of different nationalities here, which it was our privilege to inherit and our joy to foster, will continue to abide among you. In your treatment of us, you have shown yourselves liberal, impartial, broad-minded, you have always judged men on their own merits; when you had an honor to bestow, you never asked whether the proposed recipient was English, Irish or French. Your first and only question was: Is he worthy? And so, not according to name, or to color of hair, have such honors been given, but according to sterling worth and personal merit.

This is just what should be, and we trust that the Spirit of wisdom, of peace and of love, will continue to be your counsellor and your guide.