

though not thus honored has shown by the awards received to-night that his ability is of no mean order, and the fifth goes doubly armed as a doctor and a minister. Others may follow in their footsteps, but Ontario will have the advantage of the services of two or three of our number. Our own province will not be forgotten, although we have only one representative from our fellow-students preparing for the work of French evangelization, and probably we may spare one stalwart representative for the work amongst his own kinsmen in the Eastern provinces. Thus soon those who during the last few years have been so intimately and pleasantly connected will be widely scattered. The class of 1900 is a phenomenal one. We do not mean that we are the largest class that ever graduated from these halls, neither are we the smallest; but I remember that last year it was the boast of the Valedictorian that the class which he represented was a class of bachelors; not in the sense of possessing college degrees but because none of them belonged to the saintly order of Benedicts. We as a class can see no reason for such boasting. Our proud boast is that already one-third of our number belongs to that saintly order, and for the majority I can only say that they seemed quite to agree with a remark made by one of our professors during the session, a remark which I have no doubt was carefully enshrined in their note-books for future reference, viz., that "Marriage is man's normal condition." I am confident that none of them have taken upon themselves any vow of celibacy.

But we have said enough concerning the characteristics of our class, and must proceed now to other matters.

A university or college curriculum is a matter of great importance. To settle the best, most suitable, most complete course of study for the student must ever be one of the foremost questions with such institutions. We have too great a respect for the wisdom of those who now outline the course of study for the students of this college, and moreover, we have learned, too well, to respect that course during the last few weeks, to foolishly take upon ourselves now any criticism in that direction. I intend rather to address my remarks or