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## THE NORTH WESTERN UNIVERSITY INSTALLATION CEREMONIES.

**I**T was with many pleasant anticipations that I went, in October last, as delegate from Queen's to be present at the installation of Dr. James as president of the great Methodist University, situated on the beautiful north-shore suburb of mammoth Chicago; and it was with very many pleasant recollections that I returned. The masterly plans, the comprehensive arrangements, the perfection in detail, and excellence of general effect shown at this superb function are worthy of all admiration.

It is becoming quite the fashion across the border to make the induction of a university president an occasion for the gathering of a host of delegates from all parts, and for ceremonies and festivities extending over several days.

Two hundred and fifty representatives began to assemble at Evanston on Saturday, Oct. 18th, from various educational institutions in the old world and the new. From Oxford and Edinburgh, New Brunswick and Texas, California and Harvard they came, and many a celebrity was there as honoured guest—Chief Justice

Holmes and Bishop Hartzell, Dr. Lorenz and Dr. Gunsaulus, and noted presidents and millionaires. For five days the football matches, processions, lunches, dinners, receptions, and mass meetings went on, and certainly the students played no unimportant part, and acquitted themselves right well. They rallied in their thousands to the matches, and enlivened the proceedings with rushes and free fights. A special day was given up to them and 2,000 were brought from Chicago to Evanston by special train in the morning. Mayor Patton met and escorted them through the city, and with banners flying, and brass bands in full blast, and emblematic devices, they paraded before the president elect and assembled delegates with a courteous greeting for Dr. James and his wife as they passed. A grand mass-meeting for the students followed, and then a free lunch awaited them at noon. A football game on the campus gave them exercise in the afternoon, and at night they masqueraded in torchlight procession through the city and concluded their day's jollification with a gigantic bonfire. In the procession came the track team wearing the official sweaters; the football, baseball and