

Kilborne, Rev. Mr. Sinclair, Spencerville; Rev. Dr. Smith, G. M. Macdonnell, Dr. Cranston, Arnprior; Dr. R. T. Walkem, Q.C.; J. McIntyre, Q.C.; J. B. McIver, and the professors of the university.

The Rev J. R. McMorine, chaplain of the university, opened proceedings with a brief, earnest prayer, after which the ceremony of installing the Chancellor for another term was begun. Rev. Principal Grant occupied the chair meanwhile. The latter alluded to the Chancellor as a gentleman honored all over the Dominion as an engineer and statesman. Fifteen years ago he had been elected Chancellor of Queen's University, a position which one so distinguished was well qualified to fill. After taking the oath of allegiance Chancellor Fleming was invested with his robes of office by Prof. G. Mitchell, of Cobourg, and Alex. Logie, of Hamilton. This event was the signal for an outburst from the gallery, and for several minutes the boys assured everyone that Chancellor Fleming was a "jolly good fellow," making dark imputations of untruthfulness against any who might dare to deny the statement.

The Chancellor in accepting the honor conferred upon him, thanked the graduates for again elevating him to the position and promised to serve faithfully. He spoke of the advancement of the past fifteen years. The new building in 1880, the admission of women in 1884, and the first to laureate womankind in the province, the proposals of federation, which were rejected, the commemoration of the Queen's jubilee in 1887 by raising \$250,000 as an endowment, the semi-centenary celebration in 1889, the opening of the John Carruthers' science hall in 1892 and the absorption of the Royal College as a medical faculty of Queen's were all fittingly told. Chancellor Fleming then said:

"I take especial pleasure in recalling to your attention an incident which took place during my last term of three years as chancellor. The late John Roberts, of Ottawa, bequeathed for the purpose of endowing a chair the sum of \$40,000. The obligation was discharged without the slightest delay by his nephew and executor, John Roberts Allan, who with every expression of sympathy in our work, added a handsome personal contribution to the original bequest. I refer to this for the reason that it is the largest sum the university has received from any single source. As a rule an endowment is made up of comparatively small amounts ranging from \$100 to \$500, the willing contribution, from the narrow means, of our thousands of warm friends in all parts of the country. Their names are duly and gratefully recorded in our doomsday book, and whatever the sum, we know that their spirit and liberality is not limited by it.

"The material progress of the university during the past fifteen years will best illustrate by the striking facts I am about to relate. In 1880 the total number of students was 124; it is now 533, giving an increase of 339, equal to 174 per cent. Excluding students in the professional faculties, the number in the faculty of arts stood at 106 in 1880 as against 395 in 1895, thus giving an increase of 289 in arts alone, or 272 per cent. in the period of fifteen years. It is noteworthy that the greatest increase has taken place during the last years of the period. In 1893 and 1894 the average increase was quadruple the general average for the whole period."

The chancellor did not attribute the causes of development to money; the university has not enough of it. Its income barely exceeds \$41,000 and its endowment is under \$400,000, but to its fortunate parentage, which has given it a sound and vigorous constitution. "We are the legatees of a past generation of wise, far-seeing patriotic men, who founded an institution which would possess vitality with perennial youth." The governing bodies act with the best interests of the college at heart and the one fixed purpose continues to be "the attainment of the highest reputation as a seat of learning." This has been secured by steady resolution and persistent zeal.

"We are doing a most important educational work for the community at large, and moreover, we are doing it without cost to the state. We are successfully carrying on a seat of learning in all branches of literature and

scientific culture, unaided by public money. We are undertaking the higher education of Canadian youth without help or encouragement from the state, and we are performing the exalted duty with perfect efficiency, in the assurance that as the years go by our efforts will more and more be appreciated.

"We cherish the conviction that we have an important mission to fulfil in the dominion, and, that we will continue to gain strength and increase in usefulness. With the means at our command it will be our continual endeavour to cultivate new fields of thought and extend the influence of learning throughout the land. We have inherited a sacred trust from the thoughtful men who toiled to establish this university in the years that are past, and we feel the obligation resting upon us, with the character received from her majesty when she first ascended the throne, to elevate the standard of truth and tolerance, of honor and patriotism."

The laureation of the graduates, the presentation of medals and scholarships then took place, after which Lord Aberdeen was introduced as one of last year's graduates, by Rev. Principal Grant. His Excellency said it gave him great pleasure to be present, and spoke of the privilege which he enjoyed of wearing the hood given to him through the courtesy of the college and not on account of his capacity. He spoke of the present occasion as one of significant interest, and as one of serious responsibility to those who were about to go out as graduates. He incidentally referred to the method of kneeling while being laureated and approved of it. It was in practice at Oxford. He enumerated the responsibilities which would fall upon the graduates through life. They would be persons who were educated be called to act as advisers in all branches of a professional career. As lawyers they might be called upon to act as members of parliament, for it is from this profession that some of the most eminent statesmen have come. He said it was encouraging that the students in arts were increasing in numbers yearly. This meant the recognition of the most comprehensive object of the University, namely, the development of culture. By acting as true men and women they will confer upon their alma mater continuous benefit, because those who came in contact with them will not be slow to learn from what college they came. He expressed the most earnest and hearty good wishes for those who were leaving the University as graduates, and he hoped they would prove by noble living that Queen's University is in no small sense a benefactress to Canada and the world at large.

The degree of LL.D. was conferred upon Hon. Samuel Jones Way, lieutenant-governor and chief justice of South Australia; upon George McColl Thel, of Capetown, South Africa, a Canadian, a native of New Brunswick, and a well-known litterateur; and upon R. Vashon Rogers, Q.C., Kingston, and G. Christian Hoffman, Ottawa, chemist of the geological survey department.

The annual meeting of the Board of Trustees of Queen's University was held on Wednesday evening. There were present: Hon. Mr. Justice MacLennan, Toronto, chairman; the Chancellor; the Principal; Rev. Dr. Campbell, of Montreal; Rev. Dr. Campbell, of Renfrew; Rev. Dr. Wardrope, of Guelph; Rev. J. Mackie and M. Macgillivray, Kingston; Mr. D. B. MacLennan, Q.C., of Cornwall; Mr. M. Leggat, of Hamilton; Dr. M. Lavell, Messrs. R. V. Rogers, Q.C., G. M. Macdonnell, Q.C., H. A. Calvin, M.P., and G. Y. Chown, of Kingston.

The following trustees were re-elected for a term of five years, namely: Rev. Dr. Laidlaw, Hamilton; Rev. W. T. Herridge, Ottawa; Mr. D. B. MacLennan, Cornwall; Mr. Sandford Fleming, C.M.G., Ottawa; and Mr. John MacLennan, of Lindsay.

It was also agreed to appoint an assistant to Rev. Dr. Bell, Registrar of the University, on account of the increase in his work.

The question of appointing lectures on Elocution, Church History, Homiletics, etc., was left in the hands of the Executive Committee. Prof. J. Fletcher, M.A., was appointed Dean of the Faculty of Arts. The report to the General Assembly was received

and adopted, and other important business transacted.

The affairs of the University were found to be in a most satisfactory condition. There is a total of 533 students on the register, of whom 390 are on the Arts roll. Last year, the highest up till then, the number was 456. The increase is distributed over all the Faculties. A strong desire was expressed at the meeting of the trustees for an additional chair in theology, the subject to be church history.

Following is a list of degrees, testamurs, and scholarships in theology:

B. D.

O. T. Exegesis, 1893 and 1894—Colin Young, B.A.; W. W. Peck, M.A., J. D. Stewart, M.A.

N. T. Exegesis, 1893 and 1894—W. W. Peck, M.A., J. D. Stewart, M.A., Colin Young, B.A.

O and N. T. Exegesis—K. J. McDonald, B.A., Big Harbor, N.S., and R. J. Hunter, B.A., Smith's Falls.

Divinity—O. T. Introduction, Inspiration and Church History, Hebrew and Chaldee—A. C. Bryan, B.A., Kingston.

TESTAMURS

Robert Laird, M.A., Sunbury.

A. C. Bryan, B.A., Kingston.

J. A. Leitch, B.A., Glen Tay.

SCHOLARSHIPS—THEOLOGICAL.

Anderson, No. 1, first year divinity, \$40—G. E. Hyde, B.A., Kingston.

Anderson, No. 2, second year divinity—A. J. McMullen, B.A., Cowal, Ont.

Anderson, No. 3, third year divinity, \$20—R. Laird, M.A., Sunbury.

Glass memorial, church history, \$30—W. W. Peck, M.A., Toronto.

Toronto, second year Hebrew, \$60—R. J. Hutcheon, M.A., Burnbrae.

St. Andrew's church, Toronto, O. and N. T. exegesis, \$50—R. J. McDonald, B.A., Big Harbor, N.S.

Rankin, apologetics, \$55—J. D. Stewart, M.A., Douglas.

Leitch memorial, No. 2, second year, \$50—A. J. Bryan, B.D., Kingston.

Spence, second year, \$60—J. R. Fraser, M. A., Lorne, N.S.

Sarah McClelland Waddell memorial, \$130—D. McG. Gaudier, B.A., Belleville.

James Anderson, bursary, \$30—A. D. McKinnon, B.A., Lake Simcoe, C.B.

Mackie prize, \$25—R. J. Hutcheon, M.A., Burnbrae.

The William Morris bursary, \$60, will be announced at a later date.

Correspondence.

The Mission Steamer.

Editor PRESBYTERIAN REVIEW:

SIR, A communication in your issue of April 25th, says: "The net Dayspring is on the way, instructions have been received in Britain to proceed at once with her construction on the Clyde."

Will you kindly give space for a fuller statement of the matter, who has ordered the ship, and what different Churches think of it.

1.—THE FEDERAL ASSEMBLY.

This is an advisory body composed of representatives of all the Australian churches, and was formed for united action in matters affecting their common interests at home, and in their Foreign Mission work. When Dr. Paton returned to Australia some months since he first asked this Federal Assembly to give its approval to the scheme, but the opposition was so strong that he withdrew the request before the matter came to a vote.

2.—THE VICTORIAN CHURCH.

The Presbyterian Church of Victoria, Australia, one of the eight Churches engaged in the New Hebrides Mission, and whose home agent Dr. Paton has been since leaving the Islands in 1881; has at length sanctioned the scheme, and the Foreign Mission Committee of that Church has ordered the steamer on its own responsibility.

Ten years ago when the Mission was wholly dependent upon the Dayspring, and there was no prospect of commercial steamers running to the Islands, Dr. Paton collected in Britain, with the sanction of his own Foreign Mission