

direction, by that which he would have liked to accomplish, we can speak only of the things which he began to do. It remains for his followers to complete that which he began, and a way of doing this is suggested in a circular issued by Chancellor Fleming. After speaking of Professor Williamson's bequest the chancellor says:

"There are many old students and friends of Dr. Williamson who would like his name associated with some permanent memorial, and it is proposed to ask the Trustees to allow the bequest to form the nucleus of a fund, to be supplemented by voluntary subscriptions sufficient to establish a fellowship or lectureship which would forever be known by his name.

"Those in favor of the proposal will be good enough to communicate with me as early as convenient, stating the sum they are disposed to contribute."

What more fitting memorial could be proposed? If our departed vice-president could tell us how he would have us honor him he would say "by honoring Queen's." A memorial lecture-ship, or better still professor-ship, will be a permanent aid to the university and will be a continuation of that work which the professor delighted to do, especially if it is connected with mathematics or astronomy.

We hope and expect that a ready response will be made to the Chancellor's appeal and that Queen's graduates will show that they love not in word only "but in deed and in truth."

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The changes and improvements that are taking place in regard to the library deserve some notice in these columns. A new catalogue had been a long-felt want and one which the JOURNAL faithfully kept before the notice of the senate. A great many books in the library have lain there for years and many have been added from time to time, the existence of which has been hitherto unknown to the students and, indeed, to many of the professors. This has been owing to the want of a complete catalogue of all the books in the library. Last spring, however, the senate commissioned the librarian to visit the libraries in connection with the University of Harvard and of the City of Boston with a view to discovering the best methods of cataloguing books. These two libraries are the best and most valuable, though not the largest, in America, and many valuable suggestions were obtained from them. Upon his return in July, the ideas he had received were at once put into operation and a new and complete catalogue of the books in the library was commenced. An order was given a local firm for the manufacture of the large case which has re-

cently been placed in the rotunda of the library. A new typewriter was procured and the work is being pushed with all possible speed. It will not be completed, however, until about the end of next summer. Some idea of the magnitude of the work may be had from the fact that the case contains room for 84,000 cards and will probably be about filled when the catalogue is complete. The greatest care is being taken to classify the books according to the most important matters and subjects treated of in them, the object being to assist the student as much as possible, first, to find exactly what he wants, and second, to find it quickly. Thus some books are given as many as seven or eight cards in order to classify precisely the subject matter. It may be remarked in this connection, however, that if a student knows both the subject and the author of any work he will find it most readily, as a rule, under the name of the author. He should not fail to note, also, the letter of the alcove and the number of the shelf, which are printed on the corner of the card. Blank slips are now provided for the students on which to write the name and author of the book desired, together with the letter of the alcove and shelf number, this slip to be handed to the librarian. This arrangement will save time and avoid unnecessary trouble and confusion. Already all works bearing on the subjects of History, Philosophy, Political Science and English Literature are on file in the new catalogue case. Works on Classical Literature will soon follow and other subjects as soon as possible. When the catalogue is completed a list of all subjects under which classification is made, will be printed for use of students. The most important subjects treated of in all the leading magazines in the library will also be placed in the catalogue. The new arrangement has already met with general approval and the students, we hope, will not be slow to take advantage of the hitherto latent sources of information and knowledge now brought within their easy reach.

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Whether a university education is or is not well-fitted to train a young man for business pursuits, is open to question; and the answer given must depend very much upon the view taken of business success. If mere money-making be taken as the end of business, if the most successful man is necessarily the man who accumulates the largest fortune, the answer must be emphatically negative. But if success be taken to include wise use and rational enjoyment of well-earned means; if, therefore, recognition of the claims of society is essential to success, a college course may well be commended as preparatory to a commercial life in all but the smallest spheres.