

and be faithful to that spirit of truth and freedom that has always been characteristic of Queen's. Learn, as we have learned, that you are not here to win honors and rewards, that this is not the shortest road to material prosperity, but learn—that your spiritual well-being and its dignity is at stake. Though we grieve at parting with you, we are students still and hope to be with you always in spirit.

"Since we deserved the name of friends,
And thine effect so lives in me,
A part of mine may live in thee
And move thee on to nobler ends."

We bid you good-bye and wish you success as you follow us from "good old Queen's."

And now Alma Mater, farewell. Your kindly spirit has given to us a richer dower than silver or gold. You have made us thrill with emotions of loyalty and have set our feet on the path of true wisdom, and we owe you a debt of gratitude which we can repay only by purity of life, and loyalty to your lofty and independent spirit.

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VALEDICTORY FOR MEDICINE, READ BY J. J. GIBSON.

Mr. Chancellor, Gentlemen of Convocation, Ladies and Gentlemen and Fellow Students :

Permit me to say a few words on behalf of the graduating medicals of '93. We leave our Alma Mater with mingled feelings of joy and sadness, with joy that we have at last reached the goal for which we have been striving for the last four years, but with sadness as we realize that we are to lose the advice and supervision of a wise and painstaking staff of professors and are about to enter upon a life of care and responsibility. How few of us realize until they are past that our college days are our best days.

We thank our professors for the training they have given us, for the interest they have taken in us and for all that they have tried to make us. May they long be spared to uphold and further medical education in our native Province.

We must also thank the good citizens of Kingston for the manner in which they have received us in their homes and in their churches. We appreciate the kindness and respect shown us and we hope the Limestone City may long deserve the high reputation she bears for hospitality and kindness to students.

It can be truly said that the medicals of '93 lived during a time of change. During our course we have had two different professors in Materia Medica, two as Demonstrators of Anatomy, two in Pathology, two in Clinical Medicine, three in Physiology and three in Histology. We spent our first three years in the good old Royal, and our last in closer union with Queen's. Whether such changing is conducive to the best interests of students we are not going to say. Changes are sometimes necessary. We would however congratulate Queen's on her present efficient staff of medical professors. Each professor appears to be in the place for which he is best suited and we have every confidence in the success of our College. With regard to "organic union" we do not think that the stand or fall of the old Royal depended upon it. She had been steadily growing in numbers and usefulness since first instituted and with such a record, so many warm friends and such an efficient staff of professors she could not fall. There is an old maxim however which says, "In union there is strength," and this we think is applicable here. Queen's University is stronger by adopting the Royal and the Royal has become stronger by becoming a part of Queen's. Though closer union has not yet done all that was expected of it, it has in one respect at least done more than was expected. In former years we paid our fees any time after Xmas; now all fees must be paid each fall on entering, much to the dismay of many of us.

We would mention the great improvements which have been made in the heating and lighting of our class rooms, and also the furnishing of the "Den," all of which add so much to our comfort. A great improvement has also been made in the fitting up of Histological and Pathological Laboratories which are now second to none in the Dominion. Although the specimens in Pathology were especially good this year, if the wishes and interests of the students be consulted we would ask for fewer specimens and more teaching.

Two new subjects have this year been added to the list for examination, which is a good move, as examinations have been required for some years in those subjects in the Council, but the students would be much obliged if due