

labours thus far. The present is also the twenty-fifth session since the full organization of the University under the present Principal and an adequate staff of professors in the Faculty of Arts.

The progress made within the quarter of a century, since the re-organization of the University, though less than our more ardent friends may have wished, affords reason for congratulation and thankfulness. It may be summed up under the following heads:—

1st. A body of nearly 1,200 Graduates sent forth into the active work of life in all parts of the Dominion, and many of whom have already risen to high positions in the Church, in the Government, in professional life, and in scientific, literary and educational work.

2nd. The establishment of the new Faculty of Applied Science, and the complete organization of the other Faculties, with a staff of thirty-four professors and lecturers actually engaged in the work of instruction, of whom six are gentlemen of eminence in their departments, introduced to this country through the agency of the University, and nineteen are graduates of the University, trained in our own halls, though some of them with the additional advantage of study pursued abroad.

3rd. The establishment of the McGill Normal School, which has conferred so important benefits on education by sending forth more than 800 teachers into our schools.

4th. The connection with the University of six Affiliated Colleges, all of them deriving benefit from it, and carrying on important educational work of their own.

5th. The successful institution of University School Examinations, which, if at present only on a small scale, must eventually constitute a powerful lever for the elevation of education.

6. The accumulation of considerable Endowments of Chairs, of Scholarships, of Medals and Prizes, the completion of the College buildings in such a manner as to permit the work of higher education to be carried on satisfactorily in the Faculties of Arts and Medicine, though the other Faculties are still unprovided; and the accumulation of large collections of valuable Physical and other Apparatus, of extensive collections in Natural History and of a valuable Library.