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course in arts or science before entering upon their special studies. Among the needs of our own University, he indicated the necessity for founding new Chairs, such as History and Modern Languages, the advantage of subdividing existing Chairs, the necessity for more apparatus, and more time being at the disposal of the staff. A travelling scholarship would be advantageous. Alluding to what had to be done for students before they entered and after they left the University, he said that one depended largely upon the excellence of the secondary schools. The necessity should be felt of assistant masters in the secondary schools being University graduates. As to the difficulty which some students experienced in devoting three years to study, he suggested that many might with benefit attend a single year for the study of subjects in which they were specially interested. "How much better is it to get wisdom than gold! Yea, to get understanding is rather to be chosen than silver!" It was with humility if not with shame that they must feel how far from the ideal their efforts came, but that ideal must be ever before them. (Cheers.)

The CHANCELLOR said—In closing I want, on behalf of all present, to thank Professor Bensly for his kindly, appropriate, suggestive, and graceful address. It is no small intellectual feat on an afternoon like this to hold a large mixed audience in this temperature enchained with attention as the Professor has done. I hope that there are others associated with the University who cherish the same ideals as Professor Bensly—that other Sir Thomas Elders, other Sir W. W. Hugheses and John Howard Angases will come into the field to enable us to realize them. I have to thank your Excellency for the honour you have done us, as Her Majesty's representative, as Visitor to this University, and as a graduate of it, by being present this afternoon. I thank the Premier and the ladies and gentlemen who have also honoured us with their presence. I trust that before long, in a larger hall, we shall be able to accommodate a still greater number. I now declare this commemoration closed.

At the request of the Chancellor the students sang the National Anthem, accompanying with instrumental music, as the Governor and the University officials retired.

# THE UNIVERSITY OF ADELAIDE.

## COMMEMORATION DAY.

The commemoration of the University of Adelaide was held on Wednesday afternoon, December 15. The library of the University was filled to overflowing, and the temperature was oppressive. Admission was by ticket except to members of the Council and Senate. Ticket-holders were admitted up to 3 o'clock, when the doors were opened to the public. As usual, the undergraduates occupied the eastern end of the library, where they engaged themselves in musical and other exercises. The students had a printed programme of their proceedings, which, despite any interference on the part of the University authorities, they insisted in carrying through to the letter, with the aid of drum and musical instruments. The undergraduates provoked considerable amusement before the formal proceedings began. Their solemn starting of the National Anthem brought many of those present to their feet, but it was a false alarm. His Excellency the Governor had not arrived. Then the "Dead march" in "Saul" was begun, but not continued for very long. In academic costume proper to their respective degrees and offices the Chancellor, the Right Hon. S. J. Way, members of the Council, and Senate entered the library in procession soon after 3, accompanied by Sir Fowell Buxton. The Premier, the Right Hon. C. C. Kingston, was also present. The Chancellor presided, and with him on the platform were the Vice-Chancellor, Dr. Barlow, the Warden of the Senate, Mr. F. Chapple, Professor Bensly, and the Registrar, Mr. C. R. Hodge. The Chancellor wore the robes of an LL.D. of Cambridge. Previously he had worn those of a D.C.L. of Oxford, and he proposes to clothe himself with these costumes alternately.

The Chancellor conferred degrees on the undermentioned candidates:—

M.A. Degree—Richard Sanders Rogers.

LL.B. Degree—Frederick William Young and Herbert Angas Parsons.

B.A. Degree—William Charles Annells, Albert Sydney Devenish, Ireton Elliot Giles, and Edward Clyde Padman.

B.Sc. Degree—Charles Francis Stephens.

Mus. Bac. Degree—Florence Way Campbell.

The following graduates of other Universities were admitted *ad eundem gradum*:—Frederick William Richards, LL.D., University of London; Richard Sanders Rogers, M.D., University of Edinburgh; Rev. Lionel Payne Crawford, M.A., University of Oxford; Rev. Arthur George Bainbridge West, M.A., University of Oxford; John William Salmond, LL.B., University of London; John Francis Souter, M.B., University of Aberdeen; Edward Angas Johnson, M.B. and Ch.B., Allan Elliott Randell, M.B. and Ch.B., University of Melbourne; Violet May Plummer, M.B., University of Melbourne; and Alexander Gosse Hay, B.A., University of Cambridge. Harold Maund Evans, M.B., University of Melbourne, was admitted in his absence.

The following were presented to the Chancellor:—

The Stow Prizeman—Frederick William Young, student in laws of the fourth year.

The Elder Prizemen—Percy Lewis Broadbent, Stanley Arthur Malin, students in medicine of the first year; Henry Harper Formby, student in medicine of the second year.

The Dr. Davies Thomas Scholar—Arthur Geoffrey Owen, student in medicine of the third year.

The Stow Scholar—Frederick William Young.

The John Howard Clark Scholar—Samuel Walter Goode.

The Roby Fletcher Scholar—Ethel Roby Holder.

In admitting Dr. Rogers the CHANCELLOR said—I congratulate you that, in spite of the claims of a laborious profession, you have found time to pursue the study of *litera humaniores* and that you are taking an advanced degree in your *Alma Mater*.

To Mr. Annells the CHANCELLOR remarked—“I congratulate you on having in your third year passed in the first class in classics and in mental and moral philosophy.”

When addressing Miss Campbell the CHANCELLOR said—“Perhaps I may be allowed—(applause and laughter by students)—with the permission of our undergraduates—(Yes)—at the end of the room—if they will allow me the courtesy of silence for two or three minutes—(Yes)—to express a little of avuncular as well as cancellarian pride in the fact that you, Miss Campbell, have maintained the honour of your family as well as of your sex in having passed each successive year of your undergraduate course in the first class, and that you are the first woman who has taken the degree of Bachelor of Music in Australia.” (Cheers.) His Excellency shook hands with the lady as she left the platform.

Dr. LONDON, Dean of the Faculty of Medicine, in presenting Messrs. Johnson and Randell, observed with respect to Mr. Randell—“I may say that in his first year he took the Elder prize, in the second year he also took the Elder prize, and last year he was awarded the Dr. Davies Thomas Scholarship.” The CHANCELLOR—“I congratulate you, Mr. Randell, on your past successes in this University, and I congratulate you both also on having given good evidence of the excellence of the teaching you received within this University—(cheers)—in your recent examinations in the University of Melbourne.”

In introducing Miss Plummer to the Chancellor the DEAN of the FACULTY of MEDICINE said—“Miss Plummer is already a Bachelor of Science in this University, and she passed her examination each year with first-class honours.” The CHANCELLOR said—“Miss Plummer, I have heard from other sources of the highly successful examination which you passed for your degree this year in the University of Melbourne. I congratulate you on your continued academic successes, which do great credit to this University.” (Cheers.)

To Mr. Formby the CHANCELLOR said—The name of the Elder prize man does not appear on the programme. But the University Council at a meeting held this afternoon determined that they would not allow the Elder prize, which in physiology has appeared upon our proceedings for the last fifteen or sixteen years, to disappear from the programme, notwithstanding the lamented decease of the honoured benefactor who provided the funds for that prize. I congratulate you, Mr. Formby, upon your success in obtaining it.

Upon the presentation of the Stow scholar the CHANCELLOR stated:—Mr. Young, I congratulate you most heartily on your having completed your undergraduate course with so much distinction. The Stow Scholarship is the greatest distinction in laws which this University has to confer. (Cheers.) To obtain it the Stow scholar must have been the first man of the law students in each of the three years of his undergraduate course. This great achievement has only been attained once before in the history of the University of Adelaide. Mr. Francis Stow, a son of the distinguished Judge after whom this scholarship was named, was the first student of this University to attain it. It was very narrowly missed by a distinguished student whose memory is dear to many of us, the late Mr. George Ash. I congratulate you again, Mr. Young, most heartily on your being the second student in laws in the University of Adelaide to obtain this great distinction. I am satisfied that it is but the precursor of success and honour in your profession, and I am sure all your fellow-students—(cheers)—and every member of the University wishes you success in your subsequent career. (Cheers.)

The CHANCELLOR spoke to the Roby Fletcher scholar as follows:—Miss Holder, I congratulate you on having obtained the scholarship which was founded in memory of a former Vice-Chancellor of this University—my lamented friend the late Rev. William Roby Fletcher. I am glad to hear from the Dean of the Faculty of Arts that you have distinguished yourself very much during