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Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen of Convocation:

In the past year two honorary and two ad eundem degrees have been granted by the Corporation of the University;

(1.) To Edward Carter, Esq., Q.C., Associate Professor of Criminal Law in this University, the degree of B.C.L., honoris causa;

(2.) To D. L. Auger Carey, M. B., &c., the degree of M. D., to be reckoned as an ad eundem degree, on the unanimous recommendation to that effect of the Faculty of Medicine;

(3.) To the Rev. Peter D. Muir, the degree of B. A. ad eundem;

(4.) To the Rev. William Lyall, the degree of LL.D., honoris causa. Dr. Lyall is an alumnus of a Scottish University, the author of a work of some note on "The Intellect, the Emotions, and the Moral Nature," and occupies an important Chair in Dalhousie College, the Provincial University of Nova Scotia, which has recently been revived on principles not dissimilar from those of this University, and we trust has entered on a career of usefulness and prosperity.

The past session, more especially in connection with the Faculty of Arts, has been marked by an event of great importance in the history of the University. I refer to the affiliation of Morrin College, Quebec, a representative of which we to-day welcome among us, and which has sent up eleven students who have passed the intermediate examinations. Founded, like this University, by a wealthy and liberal citizen, the Morrin College purposes to do for the higher education in Quebec what we have been doing here. In seeking to be affiliated to this University it declares its intention to set before its students no lower standard of attainment than that established here,—and we, in associating it with us, show our willingness to aid the cause of British and Protestant education in our sister city, and to make this University more than ever before what its founder intended it should become, the Provincial Protestant University of Lower Canada. With a College in each of the three great seats of English population in Lower Canada it has in fact attained to this eminence. The modesty of our founder required only that one of the Colleges of his proposed University might bear his name; and perhaps the time may come when some more general designation would be desirable; but in the mean time the friends of the higher education throughout this Province cannot rally under a better name than that of the founder of the first Cana-