



In the University of Melbourne,

The vacancy in the Presidential Chair

It is with feelings of the very deepest regret that I have occasion to refer to the great loss which this Institution has suffered in the death of our late worthy and esteemed President, - the Honourable Sir William Foster Stawell K. C. M. G., Lieut. Governor of Victoria. - In recording the sad event, which occurred at Naples on the 13th March ultimo, the Press of the Colony were unanimous in paying the highest tribute of respect to the memory of the deceased. Sir William Stawell had been intimately connected with the administration of the highest offices of State for a very lengthened period. - His connection with this Institution dates from March 1876 when he succeeded His Honor Sir Redmond Barry, the first President of The School. Sir William was twice re-elected to the position of President of this Institution. 10