

memo - Talk with Miss Chandler:

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Miss Chandler tells me a touching story of the laying of the corner stone of the Van Hornesville School. Mr. Young had invited all of his old teachers - among them the Principal of the East Springfield Academy, where he had graduated in 1889, receiving his first diploma. Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ on his way at the time <sup>of the dedication</sup> / ~~into the~~ Young home and there he saw the great array of diplomas, degrees and honors that have come to Owen D. Young in the last ten years. They were all framed and on the walls of the living room and hall of his mother *home*. And among them was his first diploma. When Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ discovered it he was *close* to tears and called <sup>Miss C</sup> one of the intimate group he knew well to say to her, "Look, see what Owen has done. He has put up with all these grand papers the little diploma that I gave him thirty-five years ago. To think that he should have cared for it - that he should have remembered it - that he should have given it a place here."

And Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ was all but breaking down.

But that diploma has quite another place in Mr. Young's memory as it has on the walls of his mother's home. He paid public tribute to it, when in 1928 he received on the Sixty-Fourth Convocation of the University of the State of New York, the honorary ~~my~~ degree of Doctor of Laws. He began his address to the Board of Regents at that time by saying:

"On June 1, 1889, I received my first diploma. It was granted by the Board of Regents of the University of the State of New York. It certified that I was to be accepted by the world as an academic graduate. Last night I received from you the honorary degree

