Now such reversals in an institution of learning are comparatively rare. One reason it was possible to occur there was that all the forms were still being maintained. The institutions was still outwardly standing for Christianity, and even those professors who had little faith were not as yet daring to say much about it. It is an entirely different situation when you have men who are devoted to tearing down the teachings of Christianity.

I don't know of any other case where (I suppose there have been some but certainly not many) where an institution that has gone as far as Yale had then has been brought back. But, of course, Timothy Dwight was a great genius. He was reading the Bible when he was 4 years old! He was a man of tremendous ability and also of tremendous tack. I don't think he set an example that any of us can expect to emulate. But I think we was who one whom we can honor for what he did, and we can wish k that he could have been followed in subsequent years by other men that had equal ability and equal loyalty to the Word of God in Yale Wniversity. Because in subsequent years Yale changed very greatly.

When I was a student in Princeton Seminary, I made a visit up to Gordon in Boston, and there I met a student who whole me that her fiancee was a student at Yale Divinity school. She said that he had been a Methodist local preacher and now he had been trained to become a Methodist minister and he had gone to Yale University to get the best scholarly training he could get. But, she said, he is very unhappy. He is finding that his beliefs are constantly coming under criticism; he finds things he just can't answer. I wish you would go and talk to him." So on my way back I stopped at New Haven and I dropped in and visited a couple of classes, and I heard one of the cleverest talks I ever heard in my life. Prof. Calhoun, prof. of Church History told about the view of John and the view of Paul and the view of Peter and most everything he said was true. He gave really a very brilliant picture as he he presented it he emphasized points on which one thing might seem to contradict something in the other emphases, and he presented it in a tone and manner that seemed as if somebody was taking some prehistoric fosile and holding it up and shewing what an interesting antique this way. The impressions on the students was very easily seen.

I talked with the young man and he said, I go back from class and I say "They have taken John 3:16 out of the Bible. I come back from another class and I say they have taken Exodus out of the Bible. I go to another and they've taken another book out. Oh, he said very sad. I tried to persuade him to come to Princeton Seminary which at that time was standing loyally for the Word of God. But he was well established there and he thought he would lose a year if he made a change. He decided to stay and and doubtless soon became well in tune with the general atmosphere there.

This movement is something that comes naturally in human life. Harvard U. was the first great institution to turn against Christianity and in 1805 the college Chair of Divinity which had been established to train men to stand for the Word of God and for the Westminster Confession, in this Chair a man was placed in Harvard a man who denied