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Manitoba College.

LETTER FROM THE MODERATOR OF ASSEMBLY.

CONCERNING the debt due at Dr. Reid's office, we took occasion, in the September number of the RECORD, to direct attention, in a detailed statement, to the effort initiated during the sittings of the General Assembly to remove, or at least considerably reduce, the old accumulated debt on Manitoba College, amounting to \$8134. The movement started under very favourable auspices, and soon after the rising of the Assembly reached the respectable figure of \$1852.

This amount was subscribed by a few, chiefly ministers, though some of the elders contributed liberally. The subscriptions were:—Nine of \$100 each, eight of \$50, three of \$30, four of \$25, three of \$20, seven of \$10, thirteen of \$5, \$6 in smaller sums, with collections amounting to \$161.40 from Calgary, New Westminster and our two congregations in Victoria. Very little more has as yet been subscribed. Other objects have interposed to divert attention from this most important one,—and when the last effort was being made to lift the mortgage on the College building our Home Mission Fund was in a precarious condition, and kept this scheme, which is sanctioned and recommended by the General Assem-

bly, in the background. Now, however, that the former has been wiped out, and that the prospects of the latter are so much brighter than they were, we think that this office debt, so crippling to the Institution,—its interest at six per centum being made a first charge on its funds, amounting to a considerable rent, should be shouldered by the whole Church, and our friends in Manitoba, who have already financial responsibilities weighty enough, be set free to pursue their great work without being thus heavily handicapped. The College is essential to the well-being, if not to the very being of our Church in the Northwest, and its outlook was never more hopeful. Principal King, with his noble coadjutors, deserve well of the Church for their self-denying devotedness. Less than a fifth of those present at the never-to-be-forgotten meeting at Winnipeg, in June, have as yet contributed to this object. Are there not some who have got strong memories of our holy convocations, and after-excursions, and who, from personal inspection, were made to feel that there is no more remunerative investment than to aid those who are doing such grand pioneer and foundation work for us in that infant Empire of the West, disposed yet to send in their contributions? Those who have already subscribed, but who have not yet remitted, will confer a favour by doing so at their earliest convenience.