

let us, in the noble spirit of Knox and his coadjutors, lay broad and deep the foundations of a superstructure that shall confer blessings on future generations in this land. And one of the things essential to this is the establishment of a thoroughly equipped Institution, under the charge of our Church, for the efficient training of a largely increasing body of young men dedicated to the Gospel Ministry.

While rendering grateful thanks to the Great Head of the Church for the large measure of success which has been vouchsafed to us as a Church, during the last 25 years, (having increased over seven-fold), and to Knox College in particular, which has already sent forth over 150 students, we would cast ourselves with confidence on Divine Providence, and on the liberality of our people to enable us still further to extend and establish throughout the length and breadth of the land the benign influence of our Presbyterian Zion.

We would earnestly and affectionately call upon all our people to contribute liberally for the endowment of Knox College. And now a word as to the method. Let the Synod appoint a Committee to charge themselves with the special duty of securing this endowment; appointing a sufficient number of earnest, active, and influential laymen, assisted by some of our most efficient ministers; and let them divide the country into districts, and appoint—either by Synod or by this Committee—certain persons to canvass the entire country—as was done 30 years ago by our people in the endowment of Queen's College; and let those paying \$30 dollars or upwards be allowed to pay in three yearly instalments (if they wish it), while smaller sums are paid at once.

I now submit the following scheme to show the practicability of the proposal, and to suggest something like an approximation of what we might reasonably expect:

5	Subscribers	at	\$1000....	\$5,000
10	"	"	500.....	5,000
30	"	"	300.....	9,000
50	"	"	200.....	10,000
100	"	"	100.....	10,000
200	"	"	50.....	10,000
250	"	"	40.....	10,000
300	"	"	30.....	9,000
300	"	"	25.....	7,500
300	"	"	20.....	6,000
400	"	"	15.....	6,000
500	"	"	10.....	5,000
1000	"	"	5.....	5,000
1555	"	from 1 to 4.....		2,500
5000				\$100,000

Thus, 5000 subscribers in sums varying from \$1 to \$1000 would raise the amount required. Out of a Presbyterian population of probably 200,000 in connection with the C. P. Church, West of Brockville, we can surely get 5,000 subscribers to contribute that amount for such a worthy object.

Let us, exercising faith in Him to whom belong the silver and the gold, make the attempt, and let all remember the words of David when giving to the cause of God,—“OF THINE OWN HAVE WE GIVEN THEE;” and the command and promise of the King of Zion,—“Honour the Lord with thy substance, and with the first-fruits of all thine increase; so shall thy barn be filled with plenty, and thy presses shall burst out with new wine.” “THEM THAT HONOUR ME I WILL HONOUR.”

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