judgment as to the rightness or wrongness of these actions on the part of the associations, but we are glad they have taken place because of results which are sure to follow. There are many who, while endulging in these practices themselves, would be slow to give the same privilege to Christians, and especially to theological students. To these the action of the two associations will commend itself as at least consistent. It will be some satisfaction if this movement should extend beyond the college and open up the question for discussion throughout the country. How far the purity of religion is being defiled in these days is a question of vital importance, and the students of Divinity Hall did well to hasten slowly in the matter, and take up no position which they were not prepared to stand by.

PARISH School in every parish, a Grammar School in every borough, and a College with University powers in every principal city, such was the magnificent scheme of national education proposed by John Knox, which if it had been carried out on his lines would have made Scotland the intellectual lighthouse of Europe. The greed of the Barons clipped its goodly proportions, and the great reformer-the greatest statesman Scotland has produced—had to be content with the pittance that the strong hand would give. Yet Scotland preserved its four colleges and universities; Glasgow for the west, Edinburgh for the south east. St. Andrews for the east, and Aberdeen for the north. It had these when Scotland was poor and with less than half the population Ontario now has. And yet there are men who talk as if one college ought to be enough for this great Ontario of ours. "The Provincial College"-why the very term implies that we are only one remove from barbarism. "The Provincial University" is a more pretentious expression, but when it is simply another name for University College, it ceases to charm.

W<sup>E</sup> want to increase the number of readers of the Q. C. JOURNAL. But this is an arrangement to which there are two sides. We have done our part and we ask our friends who have not yet become subscribers and who think the JOURNAL worthy of support, to do their part by sending in their names. Every additional dollar is not only a ray of sunshine on the path of the business manager, whose life is none too happy, but it is encouragement to the whole staff. In the Royal College especially we ask for more extended recognition of the JOURNAL. For the balance of the year the subscription has been placed at fifty cents.

We want to make the JOURNAL as interesting as possible to all our readers, but to this also there are two sides. We will endeavor to do our part, and we ask our friends without and within the college, to do their part by contributing to our columns. Incidents of college life which are still remembered improvements or reforms which you wish to suggest will prove interesting. Even as you read these lines ideas of the past come trooping up. Don't smother these inspirations but give them utterance and let them see the light of our sanctum.

## WHISPERS DURING HALF-TIME.

I T is an old story, but a good story never dies of age, and so our readers will pardon the pride we show in fighting this battle over again. Saturday's match was unsatisfactory. The ground was bad; Knox men had just come off a long journey; Queen's men were somewhat nervous as this was the first time their mettle had been really tried; but most tantalizing of all was the fact that each side had scored a goal. Everybody then was glad when it was decided to play again on Monday. The ground was good : Knox was rested; and Queen's went at it with any amount of dash. For the benefit