

miserable dollars, so that our A. B. may be equal to Oxford's, and we may live at peace?" Or was it, that if the idea of affiliation had been *avowedly* coupled with that of partition of the funds, it would not have gained the assent of the Senate? The latter, as is now too manifest. The charmers charmed wisely, and the assent of some was given to affiliation without mention of endowment, which we know could not have been secured for any crippling of University College. That assent, however, is quoted as given to the whole scheme of the agitators, endowment included. No explanation will prevent this most injurious use of a partial sanction of the scheme.

We should be simple indeed if we did not see that the drift and intent of all this agitation, is to get a larger endowment for the denominational colleges. None of these institutions confess that *their own* standard of education has been made too low either through competition, or even for want of funds. And now, such a charge against the University of Toronto, is virtually withdrawn. But in this affiliation scheme, it is proposed that all the Colleges shall be equally represented on the Board of Management of the University—Queen's, Regiopolis, Victoria and Trinity, and others by-and-by, having each as many representatives as University College. That is to say, they will become integral parts of the University, and be admitted to stand upon just the same footing as the College. What follows next? A child can see it—an equal portion of the endowment to every one of them! For Buildings, for Professorships, for Libraries, for Museums, &c., &c., &c., they will claim to share alike in the common funds of the University with which they are incorporated. O rare device! It is astutely planned. Coming to the Senate with promises of Peace, Peace, and with a grand scheme of comprehension for purely literary ends, asking no money of them—that was the Government's affair, a mere matter of detail, and "other public funds" could be appealed to, so as not hurt a hair of the head of University College, now such an admirable institution—the dexterous manipulators persuaded them that this was the best way of making the University truly Provincial. Then, returning to their own house, to Conference and Synod, they say—"All goes on swimmingly; our plan is adopted unanimously; the University question is virtually settled; nothing remains now but the necessary Legislative forms to give effect to what we have all agreed upon, (*aside*) we shall get the money."

But alas!

"The best laid schemes o' mice an' men  
Gang aft aye."

Before the Legislature can consummate the matter, there are some little difficulties in the way. In the first place, JOHN TORONTO *won't affiliate*. As we heard him say, with characteristic fervour, in the Synod of 1861, he will "never agree that Trinity shall be vamped up with a parcel of other Colleges." "What we want," he says frankly, like a man, "is a little pecuniary assistance, nothing more." The obedient Synod accordingly drop the affiliation plan, and simply petition for the money. So the scheme breaks down, as far as the Anglicans are concerned. Will not their example be infectious? Will the other Colleges surrender their University dignities, privileges, and independence, and be "vamped up," while