

first home was the group of buildings, since enlarged, now occupied as the Queen's Hotel, on Front Street. It afterwards removed to Elmsley Villa, once the residence of Lord Elgin, now replaced by the Central Presbyterian Church. In 1876 it took possession of the commodious and handsome buildings shown in the engraving. The names of Professor Essen, Dr. Burns, and Professors Caven, Gregg, and McLaren, distinguished members of its theological faculty, would reflect honour on any institution.



KNOX COLLEGE—TORONTO.

McGill College, the leading University of the province of Quebec, owes its existence, not to state endowment, but to private munificence. It was founded by James McGill, Esq., a merchant of Montreal, who died on the 19th December, 1813, at the age of sixty-nine years. Not having any children, he determined to devote a large portion of his fortune to some object of benevolence connected with his adopted country; and in his last will, made two years before his decease, he set apart his beautifully situated estate of Burnside, on the slope of the Montreal Mountain, valued at \$120,000, with the additional sum of \$40,000 for the foundation of the University of McGill College.

The will was contested and, with the exception of obtaining a