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In November last a meeting was held in Toronto, followed by a conference in which a provisional council was formed with a view to forward in this Dominion a movement corresponding to what is known in England, and more lately in the United States, as university extension. The movement really consists of a series of lectures on different subjects or groups of subjects given by lecturers sent by a university; lectures of such depth and accuracy as is presupposed as being characteristic of a university. The course of lectures is generally twelve at least in number on one branch or subject; the lectures are given in consecutive weeks on the same day; at the beginning of the course a full and suggestive syllabus of the course is printed and placed within reach of the pupils or lecturees; at the end of each lecture are appended questions on that lecture. All the pupils have the right of answering these questions and sending the answers to the lecturer, whose duty it is to look them over and criticise them. On the evening of each lecture after the first, it is customary to hold (generally before the lecture) for half an hour or more what is called a class. In the class the written exercises of the students or pupils are returned, some criticisms are made upon them, and also students bring up difficulties for elucidation by the lecturer; no new ground is traversed in the class, but old ground is reviewed, and the effort