

In another direction we also need help. We have established a complete system of Higher Education. If some wealthy members of the Church would aid us in our Schools it would not only strengthen our position, and increase our usefulness, but set us free for giving our undivided attention to the pressing mission work of the Church. Much has been done for our Schools; but the country has grown so fast that we need further help to keep us abreast of our educational needs.

In St. John's College we educate Candidates for the Ministry and Students proceeding to Degrees in the University of Manitoba. It has connected with it St. John's College School for boys and St. John's College Ladies' School for girls.

Besides our own St. John's College, there are also already in the University the Roman Catholic College of St. Boniface and the Presbyterian Manitoba College. And as the University is undenominational we may anticipate, when the Province grows stronger, large help from the State to the University as a whole in Professorships and many other ways—of which our students will share the benefit.

But I need scarcely point out the importance, both from a religious and denominational point of view, that our own College, having religious worship and religious teaching in accordance with our Church, should be in a good state.

The Education now required to be given in St. John's College and St. John's College School covers a very wide field. We have no little difficulty in supplying the necessary staff.

There are now Students in the several Colleges of the University reading not only for the ordinary B.A. Degree but for Mathematical, Classical, Natural Science, and Moral and Mental Science Honours. We have also Students in St. John's College reading for the B.D. Degree. The Fees of our few Students in the several Branches go only a short way towards the Salaries—yet it is of vital importance to us that this College should have such efficiency as to secure for it the confidence of the country, or, at any rate, of the members of our Church.

(a.) We need, then, help towards Salaries for Teachers. We have three Theological Professorships with small Endowments. But we need some Endowment for General Teaching. Money here at present gives with safe security a large return. From £5,000 to £10,000 would carry us over our present difficulties. A further sum still would enable us to reduce our Fees or form small Scholarships for promising students or boys—both objects of great importance.

(b.) We sorely need a new College Building. We have had to add new rooms and bedrooms from year to year by various make-shifts. Last year we turned our Bakehouse into a class-room for University Students. This year we raised its walls to form new Bedrooms. These constant additions have caused a large Expenditure. There is a debt of £2,000 on our buildings and they are most unequal to the need of the times. The S. P. C. K. has voted £1,000, if a Building is erected within 4 years. We need £5,000 more to build what we require for Students in Theology and Arts. Our present Buildings could then be left for the boys. A fine large brick building is now going up at St. Boniface College to hold 100 students and boys.

(c.) But for St. John's College Ladies' School the higher Education of young ladies in the whole of this country would be entirely left with the Roman Catholic Institutions conducted by a large staff of Nuns and Sisters. We are finding great difficulty in supporting this most necessary School. We cannot compete with the charges of the Roman Catholic Institutions. Our charges have been made less than can allow of self-support—yet they are still higher than those of these other