

Sir William Dawson called attention to the wants of the Faculty of Arts, which faculty had practically sustained all the other faculties and also the High School of Montreal. When McGill gave his endowment, men only were considered eligible for college life, but we have now a second McGill in the person of Sir Donald Smith, who has considered the case of the other sex; and Sir William Dawson knew that Sir Donald Smith had before his mind not merely the establishment of a department for women, as at present, but of a college for women, which Sir William Dawson hoped would be called the Donald Smith college. This college would have not only its Faculty of Arts, but professional faculties as well, providing the training required for all the learned professions to which women might care to devote themselves. If this ideal of a college could be realized at the small cost of, say, half a million dollars, it would be a tower of strength and a friendly rival of McGill College. The address concluded by stating that if in our own corner of the world the English population is to hold its own and escape extinction, this will depend not so much on professional training as on broad and liberal culture, fitting both men and women for every contingency which may arise. The Principal, however, had no fear for McGill College and its endowments. As in older countries educational institutions and endowments have survived all political and social revolutions, so it will be here.

—The interest which some of our agricultural theorists are taking in the matter of introducing lessons in agriculture in our schools has its counterpart elsewhere. HORTICULTURE is the latest career offered to intelligent women. The Alexandra College in Dublin has started a course of lectures on the subject, with a view to enabling ladies to become practical market gardeners. England does not lag far behind. Mrs. Richmond, of Clare House, Tiverton, Devon, is the apostle of horticulture as an employment for women, and it is on her suggestion that it is proposed to open near London, in the coming spring, a school specially devoted to this object. That there are some few kinds of garden work beyond an ordinary woman's strength is admitted. Trenching and digging are examples, but this may be easily got over by the occasional employment of unskilled labor. Mrs. Richmond looks forward to the time when ladies who need to earn their own living will be employed in this way to the great advantage of our gardens, both as regards utility and beauty.

—The city board of education of Chicago have unanimously voted down the proposition that extracts from the Bible be read daily in the public schools. The report on which the vote was