

Our History



A POPULAR CORRIDOR

MYCLIFFE COLLEGE was founded 37 years ago by a group of earnest Evangelical clergymen and laymen who realized that the spiritual life of the Church of the future depended on the maintenance and propagation of the principles in which they believed. They felt that the surest safeguard of the Church was in the thorough training of its ministry in the doctrines of religion as set out in the Book of Common Prayer and based absolutely on the Word of God.

The work began in 1877 with six students in the school-house of St. James' Cathedral, under the leadership of the first Principal, Rev. Dr. Sheraton. The College was incorporated in 1879, and in

1882 a building was erected on College Street to meet the growing needs of the work. By 1885 it was necessary to enlarge this building. Again in 1890 further addition was needed, but it was deemed wiser to arrange for a new building and a new site. This was the beginning of the present College structure. Further additions have been necessary from time to time. In 1902 the Library and Convocation Hall were added. In 1908 and again in 1911 more necessary student accommodation was provided. In the latter year the handsome new chapel was built and also a residence for the Principal.

All this development has gone on without incurring any debt, and the equipment as now complete for present needs, stands without any financial liability. We are however, dependent wholly upon public support for the carrying on of our work, since Government funds provide for less than half the annual cost of maintenance.

In the 37 years of our history nearly two hundred and sixty graduates have been prepared for the sacred Ministry.