

be known as the "David Morrice Hall and Library." They were completed and publicly handed over to the College on the 28th November 1882. The style of architecture and masonry of the former edifice, but more highly ornamented, was followed; and the whole of the buildings, successfully grouped together on the same grounds, present a truly massive and an imposing appearance from any standpoint, but specially from the McGill College gate on Sherbrooke street. The workmanship throughout is most substantial and of the highest order, and the admiration of the visitor increases as he examines every part in detail. The basement storey beneath the Convocation Hall is lofty and well lighted, and contains ladies' and gentlemen's dressing rooms, apartments for the steward and servants, with a large kitchen, store rooms, etc., extending under the corridor. All the floors are double, and filled between with Portland cement. The Hall is capable of seating about 700; its ceiling is 22 feet high, having 35 panels deeply moulded with stained wood, and tinted with crimson and claret colored lines, round the borders. It has 28 windows, filled with Cathedral and stained glass, and the gas fixtures project from the walls with pleasing effect and supply over one hundred lights. The chastely-finished galleries over the vestibule at the entrance under the tower on McTavish street and over the platform at the opposite end add much to the general beauty. Its lighting, heating and acoustic properties may be said to be perfect, so that it was a just compliment which members of the British Association, at their recent meeting in Montreal, paid when they declared it to be the finest and most comfortable Hall in which that learned body had ever met.

Over the Hall and at the east end of it are large and well-appointed rooms for students and the Dean of Residence. The method of ventilation and the arrangement of bath rooms, etc., are the very best.

The only complaint that can be made in this connection is that the number of rooms is again insufficient, and that some students are yet obliged to seek lodgings in the city. This, like every other want in the past, will doubtless some day be met, and the growth of our *Alma Mater* be allowed to go on unimpeded. The library is a real gem, octagonal in form, 38 feet in diameter and 45 feet high, with lantern ceiling, wooden trusses and mouldings forming 48 panels, tinted a brown stone-color. It is lighted by seven windows about twenty feet in length. From each angle book-cases of cherry wood, highly finished, extend and form eight deep recesses. Over these is a gallery with cases similarly arranged and affording room in all for about 25,000 volumes. Beneath the library, but completely above ground, is the spacious dining-hall, capable of seating over one hundred guests with comfort. Its ceiling is fourteen feet high, and the whole room is finished in the same effective style of wood-work, etc., carried out in