

MONTREAL COLLEGE—CLOSING OF SESSION.

The session of Montreal College was closed on 1st April, when a public lecture was delivered by Principal McVicar, on the subject of "Prayer, and Recent Criticism." Many ministers and members of the Church were present. The lecture of the Principal presented an able vindication of prayer against the objections of Tyndall and other writers. It was listened to with the utmost attention.

At the close of the lecture interesting statistics were given connected with the College. Five students complete their course this year, making in all 22 who have gone forth from this College since its institution. Scholarships were awarded to the following students :—

1. By P. Redpath, Esq.....	\$50 00	Mr. M. S. Scott.
2. " E. McKay, Esq.,.....	50 00	Mr. J. Matheson.
3. " A. Walker, Esq.,.....	50 00	Mr. W. McKibbin.
4. " Mrs. P. S. Ross,	50 00	Mr. T. Bennett.
5. John Redpath, scholarship.....	50 00	Mr. D. McRae.
7. By John McLennan, Esq.,.....	50 00	Mr. W. J. Dey, B.A.
8. " R. Anderson, Esq.,.....	50 00	Messrs. McLeod & Cochrane
9. " D. McLennan, Esq.,.....	50 00	Mr. D. McRae.
10. " D. McFarlane, Esq.,.....	50 00	Mr. McPhee.
11. " J. Watson, Esq.,.....	40 00	Mr. R. Watt.
12. " Bible C. and S. S. Knox Ch., Montreal	60 00	French, Mr. R. Hamilton.
13. " S. S. St. Mary's, Ont.....	40 00	" Mr. E. D. Pelletier.
14. " S. S. Chalmers Church, Guelph.....	40 00	" Mr. A. B. Cruchet.
15. " S. S. Knox Church, Galt.....	40 00	" Mr. C. Amaron.
16. " " " " " " " " " " " " " "	20 00	" Mr. C. Amaron.
Gold medal, founded by Students of 1872.....		Mr. James Cameron, B.A.
Silver " " " " " " " " " " " " " "		Mr. R. Watt.

The position of the Building Fund is as follows : Amount subscribed, \$41,180; amount paid, \$30,906; amount expended to date, \$39,509.

KNOX COLLEGE—LAYING CORNER STONE.

On Thursday, 2nd April, the corner stone of the new buildings of Knox College was laid in the presence of a very large assemblage, who manifested the utmost interest in the proceedings. It may be stated that, although the formal proceeding of laying the corner stone had not taken place, the foundation of the buildings was erected last fall, and the walls built to the top of the stone work. It had been arranged that the stone should be laid by the Hon. John McMurrich, and that the Rev. W. Reid, M.A., Moderator of the General Assembly last year, should be requested to preside. The proceedings were begun by singing part of the 46th Psalm; portions of Scripture were then read, and prayer offered up. Principal Caven then read a historical sketch of Knox College from its establishment to the present date. We regret that we are unable to afford space for the insertion of this interesting sketch. Hon. John McMurrich was then called upon to lay the foundation stone, which he did with the usual formalities, after making some appropriate remarks. In the stone were deposited a copy of the historical sketch of the College read by Principal Caven, a copy of the College Calendar, copy of the Minutes of the last General Assembly, copies of the *Home and Foreign Record*, *British American Presbyterian*, *Globe*, and other daily papers of Toronto, with several coins of the Dominion. After the stone had been laid, Professor Gregg in a short address directed attention to the present state of the College, so far as the number of students is concerned, stating that last Session there had been 38 theological students, of