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University of Trinity College, Toronto.

The Corporation of Trinity College desire to call the attention of all interested in its welfare to the following facts, and to appeal for their generous and hearty support :—

The College was founded in the year 1852 for the purpose of providing a higher University training, based on distinctly religious principles, in connection with the Church of England. Its fundamental purpose is well described in the following words of its noble founder, the first Bishop of Toronto :—

“When we speak of education based on religion, we mean by religion the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ, and that instruction in this, the most important of all knowledge, shall not be confined to public worship, but shall enter largely into the studies and training of every department of the College. . . . In Trinity College I trust that the Bible will ever occupy its true place, as containing the whole revelation of God, the source of all our hopes, and the safe foundation of all our teaching.”

Whilst disowning any hostile rivalry with other Universities in the Dominion, the Corporation believe that the need for a University combining a liberal education with these fundamental principles is still as great as ever. The presence of flourishing denominational Colleges in connection with other religious bodies amongst us, proves that the need is not felt by Churchmen alone. Since its foundation Trinity College has steadily carried on its work without any further appeal to the Canadian public for support ; that it has not been inactive may be gathered from the fact that during this period 388 students have entered the College, 152 clergy have received their preparation for the work of the ministry, whilst the munificence of two of its friends enabled it four years ago to build its noble Convocation Hall.