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### EDITORIAL COMMENTS.

WE WELCOME to the pages of our FORTNIGHTLY with the most sincere pleasure a contribution from the pen of Lady Aberdeen. She has written this article to the women students of Canadian Universities to encourage and to show them the mighty influence for good which lies within their power. She warns them to undertake their work in the spirit of true womanliness: "Truest woman aces not to become man's shade." Lady Aberdeen lays much importance upon the dress and carriage of the woman student. If "manners maketh man," what do they for woman? Surely more in every way. We believe the influence of the surroundings of the women of McGill to be elevating, therefore it rests with themselves to demonstrate to their world that a University education has not exerted a deteriorating influence on their womanhood. We also think that the extension of University privileges to the women of Canada will result in strengthening the general belief of Canadians, ultra-conservative pessimists to the contrary notwithstanding, that the unity of the family is the bulwark of modern civilization. Already we see many women

entering college, not for the purpose of pursuing a professional career, but to acquire the breadth of mind, the disciplined habits of work and the general nobility of character which the Universities of the motherland have given in so great a degree to their students. We expect to see many Canadian women whose minds have been trained within the walls of McGill finding fitting opportunities in their own homes for the exercise of these ennobling qualities.

THE SESSION 1894-'95 is now fairly begun. Hard work, if not already, must soon be the order of the day. The number of matriculants in the several Faculties is in no case smaller and in some cases larger than before; altogether, this promises to be a prosperous year for McGill.

The athletic season has opened most auspiciously, and the Knights of the three Crows, who, in the opinion of many of their admirers, hold, just as present, the fate of the University in their hands, and who certainly have the good wishes of all, are to be congratulated upon their well earned victories.

The new buildings of the Faculty of Medicine are not yet quite ready for occupation, but the excellent arrangements afforded by them will soon be at the disposal of the members of that Faculty.

Indeed, new buildings, or renovated ones, seem to be, thanks to the generosity of certain gentlemen, as easily obtained at McGill as students to occupy them, for it is rumored that the quarters of the Law Faculty will soon be moved from the Fraser Institute, and that the students of Arts, Medicine and Applied Science are to enjoy the companionship of their fellows in Law. Should this take place, it would give great satisfaction to all undergraduates, inasmuch as the distance, which has hitherto separated the Faculty of Law from the sister Faculties, has been a serious obstacle to the unanimity and friendship that should exist between students of the same university. When this change comes, as is sincerely to be hoped it may, Law can rely upon a warm welcome from the present denizens of the College grounds.

FOR THE benefit of the occasional readers of the FORTNIGHTLY, we deem it but right to refer to a remark which was recently made by one of our City con-