

GENERAL INFORMATION.

WOODSTOCK COLLEGE, formerly THE CANADIAN LITERARY INSTITUTE, was founded in 1857, principally through the exertions of the late R. A. FYFE, D. D. Under his wise presidency ably assisted for 18 years by Prof. J. E. Wells, M. A., it has increased from a small beginning to its present large proportions and wide influence.

Its friends have donated, in all, nearly \$100,000,00 for grounds and buildings. A part of this replaced the first building which was burned. From time to time large sums amounting in the aggregate to something like \$50,000,00, have been contributed towards current expenses, or to remove accumulations of debt. Recurring annual deficits have taught the Trustees that no school of a high grade can be self-sustaining in this day of free education. Hence, two years ago a movement was inaugurated to obtain an ENDOWMENT. This has been so far successful that now pledges for some \$85,000,00 have been received, of which \$30,000,00 is now bearing interest, and the balance is being rapidly collected. Thus a daily increasing revenue gives promise of satisfactory growth and widely increasing influence in the future.

During the presidency of the late Dr. Fyfe there were two Departments, a Theological and a Literary. Into the latter both sexes were admitted. The Theological Department has recently been removed to the city of Toronto, where the Hon. William McMaster has erected, at his own expense, a beautiful and commodious building, McMaster Hall, for its reception.

The College is beautifully situated in the town of Woodstock, County of Oxford, at the intersection of the Great Western, the Credit Valley and the Port Dover and Lake Huron branch of the Grand Trunk Railways, and is consequently easy of access from any direction. It is thus situated in the centre of the most elevated and healthful district of Ontario. The surface of the surrounding country is undulating and the scenery diversified and picturesque.

The College embraces the following definite courses :

- I. THE COLLEGIATE COURSE.
- II. THE LADIES' REGULAR COURSE.
- III. THE LADIES' FINE ARTS COURSE.
- IV. THE COMMERCIAL COURSE.

SPECIAL CLASSES are formed each year, for the benefit of the following students :

1. For those who are not prepared to enter at once upon any of the above regular courses.
2. For those who wish to pass the *Intermediate Examination* of the High Schools, or for the Second Class non-professional Examination for Public School Teachers.