

gendered, fresh life and vigor are infused into students who then see something tangible to reward their efforts, while the efforts of professors are crowned with success.

We think, moreover, that of the \$652 awarded annually as scholarships at the Arts Matriculation Examination, at least \$200 might, with all propriety and justice, be transferred by the founders to the Faculty of Law. We have every reason to believe, in fact we know that heretofore many students have passed Queen's to attend McGill and Toronto Universities, simply because the latter two possessed law faculties which Queen's did not. Now, however, this deficiency has been supplied and it remains with the friends of Queen's University generally and of the law faculty in particular, to come loyally to the front and support and maintain this truly great and incalculably beneficial addition to the University. It remains with them to say whether or not Queen's shall continue on a footing to compete for students with McGill and Toronto. We expect to hear soon of some of the many affluent friends of Queen's making a move in this direction. Who will take the initiative for a scholarship? Don't all speak at once.

WHEN Principal Grant in a stirring speech at the Alma Mater Society, suggested the formation of a company, which would be composed of under-graduates of the University, in connection with the local volunteer Battalion, we believe there was no one in the meeting who did not jump at the suggestion as an exceedingly good one. Not that such an idea is a new one, for it has several times been advocated privately by such students as had held positions in their own local volunteer corps. But any adherents of the project, either from lack of self-confidence or lack of energy, never went farther than working privately, and as might be expected the affair fell through. But the project is undoubtedly a good one, and we fancy that the suggestion, coming from the head of the University, is all that is needed to set the project moving towards its successful accomplishments. A company must consist, we believe, of forty-two non-commissioned officers and men, besides a Captain and Lieutenant. These latter would probably be Alumni, residing in the city, in order that they might not be so frequently changed as they would have to be if chosen from the students. We believe we are safe in saying that forty-two students can be found each season who will be glad to have the opportunity of obtaining such an excellent training as will be afforded by this means. There can be no doubt about that, military exercise is one of the very best of things for those in sedentary life. Students especially are apt to acquire a habitual stoop on account of bending over their work. The shoulders become round and the chest is weakened. By a course in military instruction these evils and a necessary tendency towards lung diseases are obviated and a better physique acquired. The expense of such instruction is we believe, *nil*, as the Militia Department will furnish an instructor and equipment, and

the Drill Shed—College property—can be used for drilling purposes. If a company were formed we have no hesitation in saying that in course of time it would undoubtedly be the crack Company of the Battalion. The Prince of Wales Own Rifles have always held a front rank in the Province of Ontario. But the corps is composed of business men, who have but little time for voluntary drill, and it is no disparagement to them to say, that a company of young and vigorous men, as the men in Queen's certainly are, with plenty of time at their disposal, and the necessary *esprit de corps* will undoubtedly take the lead.

LIBERALITY TO COLLEGES IN CANADA.

THE tide of liberality to Colleges, which has been flowing so strongly in the United States for the past twenty or thirty years, seems to have commenced its golden flow in Canada. Now that it has commenced, we expect that it will rise higher and higher, until we shall be able to point to as signal proofs of individual beneficence within the Dominion, in proportion to our wealth, as our neighbours in the Republic point to with pride and hope. Previous to their great war they did little for Colleges, except to manifest extraordinary zeal in multiplying the number of them. Harvard and Yale had poor buildings and scanty endowments. The buildings of Yale are poor enough still, though its endowments have increased enormously. John Hopkins had not founded his University, nor Ezra Cornell his. When Princeton celebrated its Centenary, the University buildings were no better than those of Queen's two years ago, and the endowments were very little better than ours. But the war made the United States a people. It developed an historic consciousness in them. It made them feel that man does not live by bread alone. From that day, the men of wealth and the men of thought began to act under a new inspiration. They felt that the true way to insure the grandeur and the highest prosperity of their country was by making their Colleges real centres of intellectual and moral force, and that this could only be done by equipping them in the most thorough and approved fashion. Even the ambitious men, the men anxious to hand down their names to posterity, saw that this could be done best by endowing a chair, building a gymnasium, or memorial hall, or in some other way linking their names with institutions that would be the most potent factors in moulding the nation's life.

That the same spirit is beginning to animate Canadians is one of the most hopeful signs that we are rising above the pettiness of selfish aims or the parish spirit of a narrow provincialism. It shows that our men of wealth are beginning to have faith in the future of the country. We had no symptoms of this kind to chronicle till within the last few years. McGill left his property to found a College, but for half a century the rich Montrealers hardly stretched forth their little fingers to forward his work. A Scottish nobleman founded a College in Halifax, but not one of the rich Haligonians seemed to care whether it lived or died