THE FUTURE SITE OF THE JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY

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In a previous article reasons were given for the writer's belief that in view of the future requirements for higher education in this Province, the present site of the University is much too small. A suggestion was also made that a new site of some 200 acres should be obtained at once, near the Agricultural College and the Assiniboine Park, and that the University, the denominational Colleges, and the School of Medicine should place all their future buildings upon it.

A few days ago there came into my hands the report of the President of Johns Hopkins University at Baltimore for the year 1905. One of the most interesting features of the document is the splendid scheme for moving the institution to a new and much larger site. What is actually in progress at Baltimore in university affairs might well serve as a guide and useful object lesson to all who are interested in the welfare of higher education in Manitoba.

The Johns Hopkins University was founded through the munificence of a Baltimore citizen and opened in 1876. It is at present located in the centre of the city upon grounds which have proved to be much too limited. Owing to the need for expansion steps are now being taken to remove the University to a site of more than an hundred acres in extent. The new site, known as Homewood, is some distance from the centre of the city. Plans for its development have been prepared on a large and generous scale, and when they are carried out it is safe to predict that the University buildings will be objects of pride to the citizens and one of the chief ornaments of Baltimore.

The ground plan, as will be seen from the reproduction, is from various points of view a very beautiful one and serves to show what can be done with a large site when laid out with skill and judgment for University purposes by elever architects.

So far not a single building has been creeted or a path made on the new site. The plan exists on paper only. Nevertheless, both