

thought and language, not to mention a large information (which always brings respect to its possessor), all these things may be vastly improved by the due mental preparation of which opportunities are not afforded, and which, moreover, no intending candidate for Holy Orders can presume to ignore, if in any way attainable.

In this view of things can any University afford to allow her undergraduates to compress (necessarily to the injury of both) the two courses of Arts and Divinity into one, or her Divinity students to take no Academics at all, or curtail in anyway their course in Divinity? Whether, in addition to the reason of the thing, we point to the example of other Theological Colleges, or to the general opinion of clergymen or to instances in the history of the past, the answer appears the same.

A very simple step for the authorities here to consider would be, at least, the preventing a Divinity student from coming up for his Arts with the rest of his year in June, (which is the time for his theological examinations); so that by his waiting until the Fall for his Arts, less time might be stolen from his Divinity work in June.

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(I) LENT TERM, 1881.

—Another landmark gone. One more of our pillars, one more of the links which bind us to the past is soon to be taken from us. Dr. CHARLES MACRAITH, for thirty years Bursar and Secretary of Trinity College, at the last meeting of the Corporation submitted his resignation, his advancing years not allowing him to carry on his numerous duties to his satisfaction. The vacant place is to be filled by W. P. ATKINSON, Esq., B.A. A better could not have been chosen. We congratulate the Council upon their acquisition.

—In May (or April?) next the second election of two representatives by the members of Convocation takes place. These will hold office for four years. Within the next three years eight members, similarly chosen, will sit at the Council Board. It is important that two representative and influential *Graduates* should be chosen. As at present there is no Society of Graduates, no *Alma Mater* Association, at which such matters can be discussed, we would humbly suggest the names of MR.

CHRISTOPHER ROBINSON, Q. C., and the REV. O. P. FORD, M. A., to the consideration of the electorate, thinking it advisable that the clerical and lay element should be both represented. And how can we do better than by such a selection?

—One of the charms, physically speaking, of Trinity College is its perfect, its peculiar isolation. Our beautiful building stands in the middle of a large park far from any street, and separated by a wooded ravine from the life and bustle of Toronto. Yet this is mere surface isolation. We are more truly insular than one, who had never lived here, can well conceive. Ours is about the only building in the city that can boast of having not a telegraph wire near it! Yet strange as it may seem, we venture to assert, that the inhabitants could put up with a little less isolation, even at the cost of a wire run up from the gate. Nay, let us be bolder, we are quite sure that one of the city telephones placed in the building would be the greatest benefit that could be conferred upon us all, and that at a very trifling expense.

—We would like to make a suggestion to our authorities as to a means, found very successful in other Canadian Institutions of bringing our College, with its advantages, before the public. The proposal we would make is this: that small exhibitions should be established by Trinity for competition in the larger schools of the Province, to be held by those only who are preparing for matriculation here. The institution of a few of these—say in the Trinity College School, and in the Galt, London, St. Catharines Collegiate Institutes—would not draw upon the University chest to any great extent, and would prove, we are very sure, a successful speculation, looking at it from the lowest stand point. Should it do nothing more, it must draw attention to us. We need not fear inspection. Our ship may be a little out of repair in some places, but she is thoroughly sea worthy still.

Whether the University statutes have, with their manifold amendments, been printed and published for distribution we cannot tell, if so, the thing was done in a corner. Yet the necessity for having the pillars of our constitution ranged in order and set out for public inspection is sufficiently obvious. The Act of Incorporation, with its offshoots healthy and otherwise—fungus growth and nurtured tendrils, in neat pamphlet form, is our modest request. To those who are suspicious that the brick and plaster about our corner-stone are crumbling, its presence might be a relief. We pray that out of the abundance of their hearts the Council of Trinity will supply us with a key a-piece that we may examine her foundations and perhaps suggest a serviceable mortar, should any be needed. For the dry rot may have set in there, too, who knows? Such a show of effort on their part—a little well-intentioned courtesy in recognition of the zeal of the graduates for Trinity and her future—would be appreciated, and might, too, convince the skeptical that her