Scholarships to be awarded on competition were from the beginning provided by generous friends of the College. These range in value from \$100 to \$25, and are attached to the Pass and Honor work of each Session. A Gold Medal was founded by the Students in 1872, and an endowment has been provided by them and the Alma Mater Society to meet the annual expenditure which it involves. The Senate also offers a Silver Medal struck from the same die. Under the provisions of the Amended Charter of 1880 the Senate is empowered to confer degrees in Divinity, and already ten ministers have passed examinations and received the degree of B. D. As yet we are unable to record the conferring of the Honorary degree of D.D. upon any one. No Doctor's name adorns the roll of our graduates. Perhaps this is not to be regretted, as it indicates a praiseworthy conservative spirit on the part of the Senate, and no disposition to make the Honors of the College common or access to them easy.

Lack of space prevents us, for the present, tracing the eminently useful career of the Students' Missionary Society, the Literary and Philosophical Society, and the Alma Mater Society. The work of these organizations, and the distinctive advantages of life within our walls, however, are often referred to in the pages of the JOURNAL.

Summing up our brief history in a few words, it seems well worthy of reflection, and fitted to inspire us with hope and courage. Beginning with nothing, in the few years that have passed the College has been thoroughly organized and firmly established with a staff of four Professors and three Lecturers, an excellent Theological Library, so far as it goes, Scholarships and Medals, some of which are endowed and all of which it is hoped may be similarly provided for, Buildings second to none in the Dominion, endowments and other assets amounting in all to over three hundred thousand dollars. The roll of students has steadily increased and risen above seventy, and there have been over one hundred Missionaries and Ministers sent out into the Master's vineyard. To record the good done and the useful influence exerted by this company of vigorous laborers does not come within the scope of our present sketch, but we may safely say that it is immeasurable. Some are Pastors of large and prominent charges, some have gone as pioneers into new and rough fields in Ouebec, Ontario and the far North West, and some have gathered together and roused into activity the neglected fragments of old congregations, and all have shown themselves fervently loyal to the Saviour and the truth, to the Church and to their Alma Mater.

## CHRISTMAS.

Christmas, with its joyous and happy associations and thoughts, comes upon us once more. This is, as all our readers know, the great festival observed by the Christian Church from early times in memory of the birth