

day is not far distant when this inconsistent idea shall be banished, and in its place shall be found the motto, "Study combined with practice gives grace, perfection and ease."

—J. B. McKAY.

Correspondence.

THE MUSEUM.

WE are pleased to be able to state that the College Museum gives every prospect of assuming larger and better proportions. The Murchison Club and the College authorities have united in the effort to secure a large and complete museum, to be located at the College. Rooms have already been set apart, and are being fitted up for that purpose. The members of the Club are quite enthusiastic in the movement, and among them are many men of influence in the city, who have not in the past exhibited any special interest in College matters.

We are confident, from present outlook, that before a year rolls round we shall be in possession of a museum that will be a credit to us as a University, and of very great service in the department of Natural Science. A number of friends have already made valuable contributions. Mr. Smith, of the city, gives a collection of fossils and shells; Dr. James gives a collection in archaeology. These simply await the fitting up of the rooms to be deposited in the museum. There are a number of others who have made less pretensions gifts, but in some respects equally valuable.

The Rev. F. Chisholm has intimated his intention of giving a collection of fossils, a few of the specimens of which are already in the museum, and if those that are to follow are in any way equal to those already to hand, this collection will be among the most valuable yet received. The museum at present contains many things of interest and value. Besides collections of fossils, shells, etc., there is a set of Ward's casts, and quite a complete collection of minerals, many of the specimens being rare and beautiful.

We do not therefore start in this enterprise *de novo*, but through the liberality and contributions of a few friends we have what will make a very nice nucleus for a large and complete museum. Circumstances seem shaping to make this our golden opportunity in this matter, and as far as we are personally concerned, the opportunity will be improved. We solicit subscriptions from all the friends of the Church and College.

Surely there is no other similar institution in the Church, or out of it, that can lay better claim to your sympathy and support. A museum in connection with a University is not a thing simply of interest, pleasing to the sight, but is of inestimable value in teaching the several branches of Natural Science. We hope that none will hesitate to contribute for fear that the gift will not be valued. You cannot err on that side, as many of the things thought by

others to be valueless, are to us, in the light of the sciences, considered of very great value. If the contribution be of historic interest, kindly give the history, as everything in the museum is properly labelled, giving the name of donor.

We shall be delighted to show any of our friends through the Museum whenever they may call on us at the College, and in the meantime we await your contribution.

—W. P. DYER.

Poetry.

COLLEGE PRIMER.

A is for Austin, a lover of gum ;
B is for Beech, at drill very dumb ;
C is for Carman, who boasts not a bit ;
D is for Donoghue, poet and wit ;
E is for Ernest, who plays on the fiddle ;
F is for Forin, whose life is a riddle ;
G is for George, who gets letters from Jane ;
H is for Holgate, who takes the east train ;
I is for Ira, who feeds us hash pies ;
J is for James, who as pugilist vies ;
K is for Kennedy, sober and grave ;
L is for Lillie, a soldier boy brave ;
M is for Massey, the mathematician ;
N is for (Knight, the young politician ;
O is for Osborne, who tobacco does eat ;
P is for Packham, who travels Church street ;
Q for McQ., who is coming to grief ;
R is for Rufus, very fond of good beef ;
S is for Street, who blooms like a Rose ;
T for Tot Williams, with very long toes ;
U for Ulysses, of ancient renown ;
V— is for Metzler, from Napanee town ;
W for Winter, whose love has grown cold ;
X is for Xenophon, a warrior of old ;
Y is for Yates, quite uncultivated ;
Z is like Paley, very hard to be dated.

A SENIORIC ODE.

My pony, 'tis of thee,
Emblem of liberty,
To thee I sing.
Book of my Freshman days,
Worthy of fondest praise,
Worthy of poets' lays,
I'd tribute bring.
My gallant pony, thee,
Help to the wearied be.
When "Ex." is nigh.
I love thy well worn look,
Thou gentle little book,
Down in some hidden nook
Silently lie.