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OUR campus, which consists of 72 acres, is being rapidly transformed. Teams, with ploughs, harrows, and scrapers; and men with shovels, hoes, and wheelbarrows, have been cutting down hillocks, filling up hollows, changing water courses, so as to prepare our grounds for ornamentation in the approaching spring. The main entrance is to be moved farther up the street, and new walks and drive ways are to be constructed. While this is being done in front of our edifice, the campus in the rear is being ploughed, and looks as if farming on an extensive scale were contemplated. We learn, however, that it is only proposed to enrich the ground so as to secure a better greensward, and also make our base-ball ground smoother.

Everybody who visits us says, "What beautiful grounds you have!" They will indeed be beautiful when trees, shrubbery, flowers, and lawns, now being provided for, are secured. The rear of our campus, from the crown of the hill backwards, is now beautiful in its rural dress, with partially cleared native forest. Out among the forest trees stand our two reservoirs, the one enclosed in a building, the other an open lakelet, made by damming the outlet of several perennial springs. To these quiet forest shades students in fall and spring resort for study and communion with nature.

Our beautiful grounds originally were the property of Rev. Henry Vaughan, A. M., who, more than 25 years ago, intended them to be the site of a Baptist school, and to this end, among his personal friends,

secured a subscription list of some 3000 pounds sterling. He died without maturing his scheme, and for some twenty years the property was left till his infant daughter, reaching womanhood, sold it to relatives, of whom David Vaughan, Esq., her uncle, bought it and presented it as a free gift to the U. B. Education Society. It will thus be seen that the securing of our fine grounds is the realization of the hopes and prayers of one gone home to gloryland.

Whoever may have questioned the propriety of establishing the Seminary in St. Martins, when they come and see the beautiful buildings and large and delightful campus, and learn of the high moral tone of the place, and the predominating influence of the Baptists in it, they are either converted to the opinion that the selection was wisely made, or is so good that it deserves approval and support.

Moreover, many believe that in the near future St. Martins will become one of the principal summer watering-places of the Atlantic coast, and that with the completion of the short line railway via Loch Lomond it will be only one hour's ride distant from St. John, the Provincial metropolis, and that, with all this accomplished, it will be seen that the Institution was located more wisely than its promoters at the time knew.

Beautiful for situation the Seminary now is; we can see nothing to detract from it in the future, but much that may add to its attractiveness.

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