

that, for a well-chosen course in Honour work, our college curriculum leaves little to be desired. The regular work in each department is supplemented by carefully selected works from authors of more than local reputation, in regard to whom the mere mention of the names of a few will be sufficient : Rawlinson, Farrar, Hagenbach, Westcott, Shedd, etc., are too well known to require any words of commendation here. It will be fitting, therefore, that anything said which might suggest changes in this course should be rather in the form of question than assertion.

It is, however, a fact well known to those who have made the trial, that in order to successfully take up the work of the Honour course, the student must completely sever his connection with any University classes, and spend a large part of his time in private study.

Now, if it is advantageous that every student before entering the study of Theology should take up a University course, even when the expenses connected therewith are heavy, might it not be of some advantage to make provision for continuing these studies when there are *absolutely no expenses* ?

And if it is of great importance that every Theological student should take lectures in the various departments in Theology from Professors specially fitted and chosen for that work, rather than that similar instruction should be received from books, might it not be of some importance that the students should have at least a choice whether they would supplement these lectures altogether from books, or have the opportunity of continuing their studies under University Professors ?

Or, to state this in a practical and more local form, why should there not be in the Presbyterian College optional courses in the Honour work where subjects closely allied to Philosophy, Literature, History, Classics, Hebrew, etc., might be taken either from the prescribed text-books, or from the classes of the various professors in McGill University, where all these branches are dealt with in a very thorough manner.

The fact that all the students in our Honour courses take