

such a comparison brings with it no small encouragement. From what must have been but a small theological class which met at first in the library of the Synod Hall and hence incurring perhaps from what may be considered the unpermanent character of its class-room the decision that it was but a transitory institution, it has risen by successive stages first to the position of an incorporated college and then finally has become an affiliated branch of McGill University. But a still more striking evidence of the good work it has accomplished was manifested by the gathering of its Alumni which took place in the month of October, and the important part they are playing in the work of this diocese.

Nor is the future outlook, without its encouragement or hope. The needs of this Institution have been clearly and definitely placed before its benefactors and the public, consequently their reiteration will scarcely be necessary. They are first and foremost the hearty and united support of the Church people of this diocese. We need specifically, a new building and increased endowment. If it has not the first, the college cannot hope to experience in the future the success it has met with in the past. If it ever becomes out of touch with the diocese, it will lack students, its graduates will meet but little support in their clerical work, and it will sooner or later flicker out a feeble existence. Such a state of affairs, we are happy to say, is altogether unlikely ever to exist. The Diocese of Montréal is characterized by a spirit of unanimity, which is a matter of the most heartfelt congratulation and thankfulness, and if the College is anything it is the expression of this spirit. This fact in itself is a source of encouragement.

One of the great advantages we possess is our connection with McGill University, and it is quite natural that we should wish to have the value of this connection enhanced by our being moved closer to that Institution. But apart from the happy results that can only be achieved by a closer proximity to McGill, the ever increasing needs of a growing college would well justify our wish for a new home.

A natural feeling seemed to arise in the minds of many who attended