

held strongly that as the Kirk had no Theological Institution of its own in Nova Scotia, it should send young men abroad to study and support them while at College. That same year four went to Glasgow University, viz., Messrs. G. M. Grant, S. McGregor, W. McMillan and John Cameron. The Bursary Fund has been maintained ever since, and has been an untold benefit to the College and the Church. The Convener of 47 years ago is the present Convener, and now pleads for the Fund, not to send young men abroad, but to aid them in their studies in our own College.

Dr. Pollok was not, however, satisfied with that provision for ministerial education. He desired a Theological Institution in Nova Scotia. In 1857 he published a letter in which he strongly advocated Union with the Synod of New Brunswick, and one of his principal arguments was that thereby the Church of Scotland would be able to establish a theological college of its own. That union, however, did not take place till 1st July, 1868, and consequently the Church continued dependent on Scotland for ministers. When Dr. Pollok saw that there was no prospect of securing a Theological College in Nova Scotia, he heartily supported the re-organization of Dalhousie College. In June, 1862 he urged the Synod to take a share therein, and was appointed Convener of the Synod's Educational Committee. In June, 1863, the following resolution was passed by the Synod:—"The Synod, having heard the report of Dalhousie College Committee, are unanimously of opinion that the matter should be proceeded with immediately, and, deeply impressed with the importance of the proposed undertaking and the great responsibility resting on the Church in connection with the material, social, educational and spiritual interests of our beloved people, do hereby establish an Educational Board, consisting of Rev. Allan Pollok, Convener, etc." In appealing to the Church to raise \$20,000 as an endowment fund, he wrote much which read in the light of the present day is exceedingly interesting. He said: "A University such as is proposed must have a most beneficial effect in modifying the sharp, obtrusive sectarian spirit which is springing up, and be welcomed in consequence by every man of Christian Charity." Has not that prophecy been fulfilled? Again, in showing that such an institution would supply one half of the course of study for young men looking forward to the ministry, he enlarged