

simply placing before him results which he is required to memorize. Yet true educational methods can never be fully tested by means of examinations, and certainly not by means of those at present in favor with the Department of Education.

We look with hope, however, towards the increasing dissatisfaction which teachers are manifesting with regard to our school system; for it is possible that, by a continual exposure of the evils connected with it, the Department may some day recognise its fallibility in educational matters and finally its mistakes, thus making reform possible. And yet what help is there for those who must intellectually feed on husks in the meantime?

IN another part of the JOURNAL will be found a report of the Principal's statement with regard to the Jubilee Fund which he, with the assistance of various friends of Queen's, has been endeavoring to raise during the past summer. From this task, before its completion, he was very unfortunately called away by a severe illness which prostrated him at Toronto in the midst of his work. His health will not permit him to personally resume that work within the time appointed for raising the minimum sum specified. It is thus absolutely necessary, if all that has so far been done is not to pass for naught, that the various friends of the College should, in their respective localities, take up the work—no mean one surely—and by a united effort bring it to a successful issue. We therefore recommend to every one who aspires to be a friend of higher education and of Queen's a careful perusal of the Principal's statement. From this it will be observed that there still remains to be obtained about \$60,000 in order that the minimum sum of \$250,000 be secured, and without the securing of the whole of which, according to the agreement, no part can be obtained. Surely our College

has friends enough who will not see her go down within sight of the harbour. Many there are who have given nobly, some of their wealth and others of their time as well as their means, in her behalf, and now it is asked that those who have not yet done what they could, or all that they could, should put forth their hands to the completion of the work, that the College may be placed, for the first time in its history, on a firm financial basis on which to rest and from which to progress for the future.

IT is gratifying to all lovers of manly sport to watch the increasing interest which Queen's is showing in football. This interest is mainly due to the pride which the students have in the first team, and to the formation of a second fifteen. Although, by a mistake of the referee, Queen's was defeated by the Toronto University team, in a match which the *Mail* describes as the best ever played in Toronto, and was thus rendered *hors de combat* as far as the championship was concerned, the students still retain their confidence in the team and believe that, if it is not the best, it is at least the equal of any Canadian team. The second fifteen, formed this year for the first time, and the freshmen have also given a good account of themselves, the former having won one match and lost one, and the latter having won two. But our object is not so much to chronicle our victories and defeats as to suggest the playing of one year against another, and also the formation of a third fifteen. Each freshman year has placed a team on the field, and cannot the seniors do as much as the freshmen? If the above suggestions were carried out they would result in a still greater interest in the game and in an increased efficiency of the team. This result, we think, could be obtained by the appointment of some enthusiastic footballer to the captaincy of each year.