

in every nation of christendom, and had extended its conquest among every class of young men. That there was need of such a special organization was evident from the fact that an alarmingly small proportion of young men were members or even regular attenders of the Christian Church. If any class of persons needed Christ, it was young men. Their path was literally strewn with pitfalls and unless a wisdom higher than their own guided their steps they must fall. Bewitching voices called to them from this side and from that, and unless they had a more than human power of self-control they must yield. The young men did need Christ to be the guide of their youth and the strength of their manhood. In closing he said there was another side also, not only did the young men need Christ, but Christ had need of the young men. The Church had need of them, the world lying in darkness had need of them—young men, who, like Studd and Smith were ready to give up all that they might carry the light of the gospel to their fellow-beings.

The chairman presented the claims which the Association had upon the people of Kingston, and announced that a little convention would be held in the course of a few weeks, which would be attended by Mr. Cole, travelling secretary, Mr. Budge of Montreal and other prominent workers.

EX PRINCIPAL SNODGRASS' VIEWS ON UNIVERSITY CONFEDERATION.

WE have had all sorts of letters from graduates and benefactors concerning the proposed scheme of Federation, letters short and long, racy and dull, argumentative and sarcastic, of high moral and low financial tone, but all on the same side. No voice has been lifted up in the name of Queen's in favor of the scheme on this side the water; and now from the other side comes the voice of one who has purchased by money and sacrifice of health the right to speak as a representative of Queen's, and who certainly gives no uncertain sound. Here are some extracts which show that his natural force is not abated and which make us long to see the whole letter from which they are taken:

"Ontario University Question might find voice and say.

"Men may come and men may go,

But I go on forever."

And, of all methods of settlement, by me conceivable, this last, now in print, is the worst. The University Act of 1853 had in it sense, practicality, and even liberality, if the exclusiveness and greed of Toronto University men had allowed it to act. In this proposal I perceive little of these good qualities; of the third, none at all.

To wipe out Queen's! God forbid! Pity the sense and spirit of Ontario men if they submit to be hoodwinked by a device so clumsy, so hugely expensive, of University character so destructive.

You speak of this as a crisis. Crisis this and crisis that have been very helpful to Queen's in the past. Let this movement go on and complete itself, minus Queen's, that she may not die but live and prosper. Even now, you are strong enough to say, "Hands off! Go who will into this makeshift of a miscellaneous confederation, we will have none of it. We were born of adversity and cradled in the storm. It has cost us blood and treasure to gain the position to which we have risen, and we mean to hold it.

You are out in the clear open. No better site for Queen's than Kingston now; will be much better by and by. Utilize this occasion. Say boldly, gentlemen and ladies, citizens of Kingston, graduates and friends everywhere, we admire your pluck and are smitten with your enthusiasm. But, if you wish us well in these troublous times, you must supply material, not for field warfare but for home fortification. Down with your dimes." *Quantum suff.* Another word would spoil it. We have had talk enough, and the word now should be action.

COLLEGE WORLD

McGILL students are to have a song book.

The seniors of Ann Arbor think of visiting the New Orleans Exposition in a body.

The University of Cairo, Egypt, is said to be 900 years older than that of Oxford.

Some statistician, who is evidently opposed to co-education, reports that out of the 586 graduates of Vassar College, only 188 are married.

At the present rate of going, the students of Harvard will soon be better authority than their faculty upon the best means of enforcing discipline.

There is a probability that Princeton will have a daily paper. This will be the fourth college daily in the states, Harvard, Yale and Cornell having the other three.

Yale is to have a new library, with a capacity for 2,000,000 volumes. It will be one of the handsomest buildings of its kind in existence.

Any Amherst student, who has spent two hours in preparing a lesson, but has failed to learn it in that time, can, by reporting the fact, be excused from reciting.

The leading jurist of Japan is a graduate of the University of Michigan.

The Harvard students have presented a petition to the Faculty, signed by nine-tenths of their number, praying to be relieved from compulsory attendance at chapel.

Albert College, Cleveland, has decided for co-education. A petition presented to the trustees in its favor was seventy-two feet long, and contained four thousand names. Several male students have left the institution in consequence of the change.

The students from the maritime provinces and Newfoundland who are attending McGill have formed an association for the purpose of promoting a greater degree of social intercourse among the students from the eastern provinces. There are fifty members.

Sir William Muir has been chosen as Principal of the University of Edinburgh, Scotland. He belongs to a family distinguished in literature, and already holds the degree of LL.D., from Edinburgh, and of D.C.L., from Oxford. He is a well-known Arabic scholar, and the author of several historical works on Mahometanism and its literature.

The first College paper on this Continent was the *Gazette* of Dartmouth College, started in 1800. It was chiefly famous for the reason that among its contributors was Dartmouth's most distinguished son, Daniel Webster. A few years later, Yale followed with the *Literary Cabinet*, which, however, did not live to see its birthday. In 1810, Harvard made her first venture in journalism, the *Lyceum* being issued with Edward Everett as chief of a staff of seven editors.