

every student. It is to be hoped that this compulsory year will soon be followed by a second, and the two by a complete course. The present advantages gained are not to be despised,—a higher classical standard among our men, a greater freedom in the selection of times for lectures in Theology, and the consequent possibility of longer walks in the afternoon.

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A second important step was taken, when three such men as constitute our present finance committee, were appointed to look after this most important branch of the work. It is to be hoped that their efforts in raising money will be crowned with success, and that they will not rest from their labours until they have secured not only the endowment necessary, but also a building of larger size, containing a residence for the Principal, separate rooms for each student, a chapel, lecture rooms large enough to contain the lecturer as well as the class, and those numerous other things of which we stand in need.

To the superficial observer, it might appear as if we were discontented and ungrateful. But it is far otherwise: we are glad that the present building has proved so useful in furnishing men for the ministry; that it has at length become too small for the purpose for which it is required; and we consider no better thanks could have been given to the original founders and benefactors of the College, than to see the work which they began in the day of small things, grown to its present dimensions.

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Though the discussion concerning Bishop's examinations recently held, was not so successful as all parties concerned might have desired, would it not be worth while considering the advisability of holding the examinations for Priests and Deacons at least a fortnight before the ordination, so that the minds of intending candidates might be freed from the thoughts and anxieties of examinations to be passed, at a time when their whole attention should be concentrated on the solemn step which they are about to take? The practice of holding examinations several weeks before the ordination, is found to work satisfactorily in the old country; and we believe, in one case at least, part of that for Priest's orders is held six months before the ordination. Though there might be some difficulties in the preliminary arrangements, yet we are most strongly of opinion that had those who have the control of these matters would give them their serious attention, a remedy would be found satisfactory to all parties.

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The second term in the last session saw the introduction of a custom which we hope to see perpetuated. This was none other than the delivery of an inaugural lecture to the students. To the Rev. L. N. Tucker, a