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THE WOMEN'S RESIDENCE.

FEW who take an interest in University education in Ontario and who desire that women should have the advantages of such education are unaware of the pressing need of a proper Residence for women in connection with the Provincial University. And all our readers, we know, are interested both in University education and in extending its advantages to women.

It is important to remember that the Residence movement originated among the women-students themselves. Some of the first women-graduates and under-graduates petitioned the University Senate for a Residence, and their petition was received with favour, the Senate promising a site in the Queen's Park. An association was then formed, a subscription list opened, and through the generosity of Mr. Edward Blake and others, subscriptions to the amount of three thousand dollars have already been secured. This association is now endeavoring to establish auxiliaries in the cities and towns of Ontario. If this can be done, it may almost be said that the success of the whole project is not far distant.

We have not yet many buildings presented to the country by the liberality of her sons and daughters. The building of such a Residence would be a noble act.

It is said that the streams of private generosity flow away from the University of Toronto because it is under Government control. But this should not prevent gifts for the Residence. Let citizens attach to their gifts what conditions they please. It is not necessary that such a Residence should be directly under Government control.

On the 1st of October next not less than one hundred women students will come to Toronto for University work. A great many of them will be strangers. They will look for comfortable places to board and they will not find them. The landlady will likely do the best she can for them and very likely they will get nearly or quite the worth of their money. But nourishing, wholesome, well cooked food is not common in boarding-houses. There are exceptions to the rule, but they are few. Cheap and nasty.

The present writer will never forget the fate of one of the University girls. She was in her second year, in the class of 189. As it happened, no other students boarded in the same house. She had not been well, and we will leave our readers to say what was really the matter judging from the single remark she made. "You know I can't eat anything they have