

proposed additions of the present year will be under the charge of nine professors, lecturers and fellows. At the former date one professor undertook the whole work in mathematics and physics, now entrusted to six professors, instructors and demonstrators, in the laboratories and lecture-rooms; and only awaiting the appropriation of available funds for further additions. Alike in classics and in the modern languages the appointments to new chairs are only delayed in expectation of increased resources; and this principle of an efficient subdivision of work is being extended to other departments. Experience proves that the lecturer in science, in philosophy, in history, or literature, can present his views as usefully to a crowded classroom as to a dozen students. But in the mastery of languages, in philological and grammatical criticism, in the work of the laboratories, or wherever the teacher has to deal directly with the individual student, subdivision of classes and the increase of instructors are indispensable for the thorough work which the specialisation of studies involves.

The annually increasing number of undergraduates, and the addition of new departments of instruction, along with other changes, have involved the need for greatly extended accommodation. It cannot be justly charged on those who, thirty-eight years ago, undertook the reorganization of the Provincial University, that they were unmindful of the requirements of an age of progress. But it would have indicated the prescience of a seer, could they have anticipated all the wants that are now recognized as urgent. Only a few years before Dr. Dyonisius Lardner had demonstrated the impossibility of a steamship crossing the Atlantic; and Shakespear's Ariel as yet monopolized the feat of making a girdle round the earth in forty minutes. Now in physics, the department of electricity is a claimant for special laboratories and apparatus; while that of metaphysics has its own laboratory and other appliances for the novel branch of experimental psychology, which undertakes to investigate the correlations of mental and cerebral activity; and extends research to the organic counterpart of all associated mental life.