

The President of Mount Royal College in presenting this, the First Annual Catalogue of the Officers, Faculty and Students of the College to the friends and patrons of the Institution, and to the public in general, begs leave to tender, on behalf of the Faculty, their most grateful thanks for the very generous patronage and hearty encouragement which has been extended to the College, from far and near, during the morning of its existence.

The advent of Mount Royal, among the colleges of this far-famed city of schools, was hailed by many with transports of joy, and kind words of encouragement and unmistakable evidences of approval were met with on every hand.

The faculty of this institution have been repeatedly assured by the business men of Montreal and elsewhere, that a long felt *desideratum* was being supplied in Mount Royal College; a fact which seems to be fully substantiated in the unparalleled success of the "Opening Year," and the advent of so many young men from the United States and Canada. The College is Catholic in principle and practice—the pupils are required by *rule* to attend *regularly* to their religious duties. Mount Royal aims to give to its pupils not only a sound *practical business education*, but also a thorough *preparatory* and *refined social education*; its founders will constantly endeavor to instil into the minds and hearts of those committed to their charge, principles of honesty, sobriety, integrity and moral worth.

The founders are fully convinced that a much larger building is *absolutely necessary* to accommodate the growing demands upon their space, and venture to express the hope that through the kind and timely co-operation and advice of the friends of the institution and the friends of practical education in general, that their cherished hopes, in this regard, will soon be realized.