

in this, that although founded by a Scotchman, this institution of Queen's College is one absolutely free and open to any denomination." If our opponents are not accustomed to weigh the significance of words, any one of our students in Junior Philosophy can tell them the meaning of *absolutely* free.

The outcry against Queen's has found its way into the college press. The *McGill University Gazette* rallies to the charge. After fumbling around in a sort of helpless daze the editor, without a smile upon his visage, lays down the following argument, "Queen's University is denominational, if ever there was a denominational university in this world. Queen's College is merely a department of that University, therefore Queen's College is denominational "Shades of Whately and Jevons! It may be true according to a writer in the *Mail* that little or no logic is taught in Queen's. But, even granting that the *Gazette's* premises are correct, we have managed to scrape up sufficient logic to give a parallel syllogism. "Montreal is a Roman Catholic city, McGill University is a part of the City of Montreal, *ergo* McGill is a Roman Catholic University." Both statements are equally ridiculous. But its premise is incorrect. What is Queen's University apart from its different colleges? When you have named the Arts, Medical, Law and Divinity departments, you have named the University. True the Divinity department is denominational, but the faculties of Medicine, Law and Arts are not denominational. What then will you make of the University? We leave this question to be answered by those who are accustomed to hunt for spooks.

But we would like to add that the *Gazette* has struck higher than it knew. In condemning Queen's it was condemning the Scotch Universities. Glasgow, Edinburgh, are denominational forsooth, because to them are attached Presbyterian colleges, while too, the weight of its argument bids fair to fall upon its own institution. The *Presbyterian College Journal*, we are pleased to notice, sees things in a different light.

PERHAPS no other work ever projected by the students was more necessary, more universally favoured and yet more neglected than the improvement of the Campus. Last year there was a liberal subscription guaranteed among the students but no effort was made to collect the money. This year a larger sum could have been secured and we are sure we can say the same for next year. The work must and will be done but the practical question is, will any one guarantee the amount for a year so that time may be saved. Is there or is there not a committee appointed for this work? If not then one should be named at once; but if there is such a committee they have no time to lose in getting to work.

## ❖POETRY.❖

### IN MEMORIAM.

(For the Journal.)

ALAS! Alas! how pleasantly,  
When last we met, the time slipped by,  
He smoothed the way by word or look,  
Things otherwise, I could not brook.  
"How much we hoped to meet again!  
But all our hopes are now in vain,  
For in thy prime thou'rt gone away  
To other realms, while here we stay."  
"Thy will be done," I say "towards me,"  
But how 'tis best we cannot see.  
With tearful eyes we strain to catch  
A glimpse of him, and wish to snatch  
Away the veil which hides the gloom,  
But no bright ray lights up the tomb.  
And so we turn to Him who's Light;  
He will not spurn us tho' He smite!  
Ah! no, ah! no, but in our grief,  
To all our woe He'll send relief—  
Another life dawns yet beyond.  
Why do you mourn o'er that green mound?  
For light and love surrounds him there;  
As winged dove soars through the air,  
Delighting in this freedom sweet—  
He too is glad and soon we'll meet  
In that glad Light where He, our Sun  
Makes all things clear that what he's done,  
Was best for him whose course is run.  
And best for us, our thoughts to raise,  
That we may now live to His praise

The following is the circulation of some of the American college papers: *The Dartmouth*, 1,030; *Tuftsionian*, 1,000; *Yale Courant*, 850; *Yale News*, 650; *Lampoon*, 700; *Harvard Advocate*, 450; *Athenæum*, 900; *Princetonion*, 725; *Amherst Student*, 625; *QUEEN'S COLLEGE JOURNAL*, 625.