

the campus or the class room, were then comparatively speaking within narrow bounds. Knox College, then as now, was a true and stalwart ally, and her students invariably won their full share of University distinctions.

Indeed Knox and the University were then, educationally speaking, the sole possessors of the Park. Victoria, McMaster, and Wycliffe now divide the honors and occupy prominent sites, and they all taken together constitute a cluster of colleges of which any city or country might well be proud. To what extent their joint influence reaches who can tell? Their powerful effect on the national life who can estimate? And what is very important, and we are too apt to overlook it, each influences the other mightily for good. The work of the best and strongest Professors in each of the colleges proves to be a real inspiration to the students of all the others. The great influence, for example, of Dr. Caven of Knox, of Dr. Burwash of Victoria, of Dr. Clark of Trinity, of Dr. Wallace of McMaster, and of Dr. Sheraton of Wycliffe, extends far beyond the limits of their own class rooms. That our colleges are an important element even in the matter of national defence all admit. Their first aim is to assist in the development of high character, of noble and symmetrical manhood and womanhood. May their work prevail! The graduate owes a great debt of gratitude to his college. How few adequately acknowledge it. What a boon it would be to all our colleges, if this debt were acknowledged in some practical and substantial way! Those who have never had college advantages are too often those who have rendered the colleges timely and substantial aid.

The Glee Club, the Library, the Y. M. C. A. and the College paper are now-a-days important and valuable features of student life. Each of them forms part of the social mill in which the members "rub each other's angles down."

The high pressure prevailing everywhere permeates every college life, and whether it conduces to sound scholarship it remains to be seen.