

Torrance and Justice MacKay. Mr. Jas. Croil, Mr. P. S. Ross, Mrs. Redpath, and especially Mr. David Morrice, Chairman of the Board of Management. His method of rendering assistance has been most considerate and effective. He has annually placed a liberal sum at the disposal of the Honorary Librarian, the Rev. Dr. Scrimger, thus enabling him to purchase recent books designed to meet the necessities of Professors and students. Nothing could be more beneficial.

In 1869, the Board of management reported to the Assembly that "a plan had been formed for obtaining a Library endowment; and that one of its members was interesting himself specially in the matter, and had good hope of success." That member has passed away without having accomplished his good "plan." Let us hope that some one may come forward to take his place and confer this great boon upon the Church.

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## CHAPTER X.

### SCHOLARSHIPS, MEDALS, HONORS.

By the admirable arrangements for rooms, and board for students, already referred to, the cost of living during their College course is reduced to the small sum of three dollars per week. Their comfort, health and facilities for work being thus provided for, as well as missionary employment being given in most cases by the General Assembly's Home Mission Committee during summer vacation, it has not been deemed necessary or wise to offer any eleemosynary aid. The authorities disapprove of granting such, and students hitherto have been of the same mind. Both believe that a spirit of manly self-reliance should be cultivated by all who aspire to the sacred office of the ministry. This may involve delay, and even hardship in their entering the work, but the discipline will make them all the stronger and more efficient servants of the Lord in the long run. What the Church and the mission fields of the world need now are men who can "endure hardness, as good soldiers of Jesus Christ"—men who will master their environment rather than be hindered and defeated by adverse influences. The establishment of Bursaries and Scholarships to be offered for competition is compatible with this view, and a legitimate way of putting it in the power of energetic and meritorious students to gain financial assistance, and at the same time most useful literary and theological attainments. Such Bursaries are accordingly provided, although not to the full extent desired. It would be greatly to the advantage of the College and the Church at large were the amount and the number of these Scholarships increased, and were two or three Fellowships established enabling eminent students to prosecute Post-graduate studies here or elsewhere.