

Conchyliological Collection.—This collection contains more than 1250 species of Canadian and foreign mollusks, nearly all classified, a good number of which are remarkable for their brilliant colors, size and curious forms. Such are the *Murex*, the *Strombus*, the *Dolium*, the *Cypræa*, the *Cassis*, etc. We may mention a magnificent American collection of the genus *Unio*, for which the Laval University is indebted to Mr Isaac Lea, LL. D., a learned conchyliologist of the United States of America, and beautiful samples of wood perforated by the *Teredo navalis*.

The samples of invertebrates of the Atlantic form a very precious collection, which was given to the Laval University by the Smithsonian Institution through the Geological Survey of Canada.

ETHNOLOGICAL MUSEUM

Close to the Invertebrate Museum is the Museum of Ethnology. It comprises three divisions.

1. The Indian or *Taché* collection, so called as a token of gratitude for the late Dr J.-C. Taché, who has given the greatest part of these specimens. In this collection are a great number of Indian skulls of the greatest interest, as being quite authentic specimens, characteristic of the Huron tribe. They have been gathered by Dr Taché himself from authentic Huron tombs. There is also a large variety of instruments used by the Canadian Indian tribes, precious pieces of earthenware, hunting and war implements, etc.

A great numbers of the specimens of this collection have been given by the late Mgr J.-B.-Z. Bolduc, and come from the Indians of British