

college in Canada, for either sex, so comfortably housed. In no other medical college in Canada are all the Professors paid for their services, independently of fees. Of course the salary is small, and it is looked only as an *A honorarium*, but it is certain. And already three scholarships are provided and others are expected. No surer proof than the successful starting of this institution is required to show that an appeal to the liberality of the people for any worthy educational object need never be made in vain. The friendly relations at present existing between Canadian colleges and universities is a most pleasant feature in our intellectual life. They all contribute to the harmonious and right development of our people, and they should be appreciated generously and treated justly. I esteem it a great honour that I am still connected, as one of its Governors, with Dalhousie College, N.S. Since coming to Queen's I have attended the Convocations, and, what some of you may consider of more consequence, the dinners of McGill, Victoria, and Toronto, and at every one of these have been

TREATED WITH THE SAME RESPECT

that is kindly paid me on this platform. Next year I hope to be present at the Convocation of Trinity, for I have not been able to accept the invitation of more than one sister university during each year. This inability, however, has been a benefit, as it has given me time to take in the situation better than would have been possible otherwise. The dimensions of our country are so magnificent, its centres so numerous and its interests so varied, that one must not be in a hurry while feeling its pulse and judging of its condition in any important particular. It seems to me that at present there is a cheering prospect of continuous development before our institutions of higher learning. Wealth is beginning to show that it is awakening to a sense of its high duty and privilege to foster these as the fountain-heads of all that dignifies and sweetens life, and so far as the colleges themselves are concerned, there seems to be an almost entire absence of those

FEELINGS OF JEALOUSY AND HATRED

that once found expression in scornful and bitter words on both sides. Anything that would reawaken those feelings should surely be avoided; and it is solely because a proposal recently made by Mr. Mulock, Vice-Chancellor of Toronto University, is certain, if pressed, to reawaken them that I take the liberty of uttering a note of warning. Like every other college in the old and new worlds, University College is in need of additional funds. The field of the knowable

is boundless, and every college is ready to spend millions on its staff, on laboratories, on libraries and on original work. Doubtless, too, the money would be well spent. But when Harvard, Columbia, Cornell, Princeton, Johns-Hopkins, and the other great colleges of the United States, or when Dalhousie, McGill, Victoria and Trinity are in need of additional funds, they appeal to the public, explaining fully why and what for the money is needed, and a response more or less satisfactory is sure to be made. Each institution has a constituency that believes in it, and is willing to prove its faith by its works. Instead of following this excellent and universal example, my friend Mr. Mulock proposes that the Government of this Province should give to University College all the money that may be required by it; that is, that the friends of other colleges, who have voluntarily and at great sacrifices, and for what seemed to them good and sufficient reasons, brought their favourite colleges to such a standard as to compel universal recognition, should now be forced by law to give more money to extend, they may think needlessly, an institution which, however excellent,

MAY NOT COMMENT

itself to them as embodying the highest university ideal. A proposal so manifestly unjust cannot be seriously considered. It was evidently made in ignorance of the facts of the case. The chief reasons assigned was that the various denominations support Queen's, Victoria, Trinity and the other Colleges, and therefore that the Province should support University College. I would like to ask what the Province amounts to apart from all the denominations? Aside from this, the assertion is inaccurate. The church with which we are historically and honourably connected is not responsible for the maintenance of Queen's as a Faculty of Arts and Sciences, or for the same work that is done in University College. The church gives an annual grant to the Faculty of Theology, and to that faculty only; for all other expenditure we have to depend on fees and on the liberality of those classes of the people who believe in us, for one reason or another. As a matter of fact our great friends have been the people of this city and county, without respect to creed, and the members of the Presbyterian Church in Ontario and Quebec. All honour to that church for starting Queen's. It did so because, after repeated efforts, it

FAILED IN ITS ATTEMPTS

to make what is now Toronto University broad enough for more denominations than one. With subsequent contests we have no-