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## Editorial Topics.

LIKE a thunder-clap came the announcement in *The Globe* of May 28th that the Rev. C. W. E. Body, D.D., D.C.L., Provost of Trinity College, and Vice-Chancellor of the University, had accepted the chair of Old Testament Literature and Interpretation in the General Theological Seminary, New York. For thirteen years Dr. Body has been at the head of this University. Under his administration her policy for all time has been clearly defined, her foundations deepened and strengthened, her ideals, some of them realized, all of them raised; her influence greatly widened and extended, and her status, as a great power in the education of the country, firmly established. Materially, the chapel, two new wings and St. Hilda's College for women, are landmarks of the progress made, but the real progress cannot be so easily measured. The Provost's reasons for the step he has taken are connected with his strength. For a long time he has been living at its very edge, under a strain which would have completely broken down some stronger men. His duties are enormous. He is practically the executive head of the University, and so has to guard her larger interests, frame her policy, and develop her resources. Again he is head of the College, and as such has to be familiar with all the details of College economy (which being interpreted according to Ruskin means College "House-law"). Thirdly he is First Professor of Divinity, and lecturer in Hebrew and Oriental languages at Trinity, and also lecturer in Mathematics at St. Hilda's. Add to this the bitterly distasteful duty of "begging" for money—a duty he ought never to have to perform; and a multitude of things he is supposed to have lots of time for, and we are sure no one will blame him for accepting a posi-

tion of honour and distinction—a position, moreover, to which he will carry an enormous store of learning, great genius and consummate abilities as a lecturer. The subject of Old Testament Interpretation is one which he has made peculiarly his own—a testimony to his acknowledged mastery of it having been given by his choice as the Pad-dock lecturer in New York last March. Our loss is the gain of New York's Seminary. The authorities of that institution are to be heartily congratulated on having secured our Provost as a member of its staff.

### ANOTHER NEW WING.

WITH commendable energy and boldness the Corporation of this University decided at their last meeting to further extend the buildings of Trinity College. But four short years ago a wing was built with rooms for thirty students—several large lecture rooms—a section for the science department stocked with many thousands of dollars' worth of the most modern appliances, a common room, an athletic room, and quarters for three dons. This was then thought to be somewhat of the nature of a venture of faith. Events have proved that the venture was so decidedly successful that the increased number of students has made it imperatively necessary to re-commence building operations. This time the eastern wing is to be extended. Rooms for about twenty men will be built, much needed accommodation for the servants, rooms for some new dons, lecture rooms, a small infirmary, and last and most necessary, at least from the men's point of view, a gymnasium. The contractors are under obligation to have these buildings ready for occupation by October 1, 1894.

### ARCHDEACON MCMURRAY.

ONE cannot but feel that in recording the death of the Ven. Archdeacon McMurray, one is, as it were, closing a chapter of church history in this Dominion. The past ten years have taken from amongst us almost all of the aged and venerable men who were the pioneers of the Church in this land. Like so many successful churchmen, Archdeacon McMurray was an Irishman. Born in 1810 and brought to this country just one year later, he may, however, be looked upon as a Canadian—especially as his long life was given to spreading the influence of the Canadian Church. While still a layman, studying for orders under Bishop Strachan, he bravely undertook the task of Christianizing the Indians on the north shore of Lake Superior, having Sault Ste. Marie as his headquarters. This was in 1832. The next year he was ordained by Bishop Stewart, immediately went back to his Indians, among whom, when he left after five years of faithful work, there were 160 baptised members of the Church, and some forty communicants. For sixteen years (1840-1856), he was rector of Ancaster, and in 1857 he was made rector of the historic Church of St. Mark, Niagara, and in this quiet place he remained for thirty-seven years—sixty-one years spent in the ministry of Christ's Church—sixty-one years full of earnest, quiet work for the Church and her Master. When in 1875 the Diocese of Niagara was set apart, Mr. McMurray was made Archdeacon. But the life of this good man has a special interest for all the sons