

tulation to all its friends. That growth exhibits another evidence in the bulky calendar of nearly a hundred pages now before us. It is, we think, the only University in the country having fully-equipped departments in Arts, Sciences, Law, Medicine, and Theology. The courses of study in these departments are, we judge, as full and thorough, and the standard of matriculation, as is shown by the specimen examination papers, as high as in any other institution in the country. We congratulate the University on the handsome list of scholarships and prizes announced, and we augur for it a great and growing prosperity in the future.

*Young Workers in the Church; or, the Training and Organization of Young People for Christian Activity.* By the Rev. T. B. NEELY, A.M. New York: Phillips & Hunt. Toronto: Wm. Briggs, pp. 218. Price, \$1.

This is a very timely book on one of the most important of subjects. The future of the world depends upon the training of the young. Could the principles here taught be carried into practice, in ten years the Church would make a mighty stride in advance, and would be a grander aggressive agency than it has ever been in the past. "The young of to-day," says Bishop Simpson, in his admirable introduction to this book, "will be the workers, leaders, and councillors of to-morrow. If the Church neglects them, their interest will be enlisted elsewhere, and their fervour, tact, and ability will be lost to the cause of Christ."

This book is the result of experience, not of mere theory. It discusses wisely such subjects as Church activity a necessity. How to secure the co-operation of the young. Individual and organized effort. Preparation for work. Principles in practice. Words for pastors and for all workers, and kindred topics. We heartily commend the work to pastors, and all others interested in promoting the work of God, especially among the young.

Such work blesseth him that gives, and him that takes. It trains up noble, Christian soldiers, and would soon, if general, conquer the world for Christ.

*The Problem of Religious Progress.*

By DANIEL DORCHSTER, D.D. 12 mo., pp. 603. New York: Phillips & Hunt. Toronto: Wm. Briggs. Price, \$2.

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*Gerald: A Story of To-Day.* By EMMA LESLIE. 12 mo., pp. 344, illustrated. New York: Phillips & Hunt. Toronto: Wm. Briggs. Price, \$1.25.

It was a happy idea of Dr. Vincent to induce the accomplished author of the "Church History Stories" to prepare a series of sketches of the