

Provision has been made on the ground floor for a large and well-arranged lecture theatre and two class-rooms, which will also afford space for reference collections for the use of lecturers and students, and for the herbarium. In the basement there is a large laboratory for the preparation of specimens, and ample space for the storage of material.

It is proper to add that while Mr. Redpath has kindly undertaken to bear the current expenses of the New Museum for a few years, no special provision exists for the work of teaching within its walls, except the very inadequate amount afforded by the endowment of the Logan chair of Geology. Endowments are urgently required for Mineralogy, Botany and Geology, and it is hoped that the example of Mr. Redpath may stimulate other benefactors to supply these deficiencies. Aids of this kind would also relieve the general funds of the University.

It should further be borne in mind that the erection and endowment of the Peter Redpath Museum affords an illustration of what may be done by other benefactors for the departments of Physical and Chemical Science, and for our Faculty of Applied Science. Each of these requires for its full development buildings and endowments. In connection with this I have pleasure in stating that A. C. Hutchison, Esq., one of the architects of the Peter Redpath Museum, proposes to prepare a plan and elevation showing how the buildings required in the future for the above and other University purposes may be erected in due relation to the present buildings, and in harmony with the plan of the new Museum.

It is proposed that Reports on the Museum shall be printed from time to time, recording its progress; and that in future these shall include lists and short descriptions of new species, and statements of new scientific facts which may be discovered. Some unpublished material already exists in the collections, and has been laid aside for description, and it is hoped that future reports may shew that the museum, in addition to its educational work, will be a means of advancing the knowledge of Canadian geology and natural history.