

that this officer has ever shown any talent for military administration while in Turkey. His reputation rests alone on the fact of his being a good cavalry officer. There may be some diplomatic move in this nomination, which is beyond common understanding, but that he should be dismissed from the British army, and so soon after given so important a post is certainly unaccountable to the ordinary mind. It would seem that a man had only to outrage society, and become notorious in order to become distinguished.

The outcome of this Egyptian affair, is what no statesman seems willing to commit himself in predicting. Great minds are wrestling with the question. But it does not seem probable that the policies of England or the Powers will be known for some time yet.

THE press of local matter in this number necessitates the holding over of several literary articles until next issue.

#### ENDOWMENT.

THE last effort of the Principal to better the financial status of the University met with singular and gratifying success. In the space of a few weeks in the early summer, he succeeded by means of a few open circulars, coupled with personal solicitation, in adding nearly nine thousand dollars to the annual income for the period of five years. Certainly the alumni, and friends of Queen's can never be charged with illiberality. This last addition will stave us over a few years, as the Principal says, and then we will have time to look about us again.

It is to be hoped that before the five years are up, the institution will receive bequests which will make up the loss in revenue consequent on the determination of that period.

#### THE FACULTY.

ONE more gentleman has been added to the permanent teaching staff, and another will be appointed next month. Principal Grant is now in Britain for the pur-

pose of selecting a successor to the venerable Vice-Principal in the chair of Physics. The testimonials accompanying applications for this chair were so uniformly high, that the trustees thought they would not be justified in selecting any one in preference to the others. Hence the Principal's visit to the Old Country in order to judge on personal grounds of their fitness. Professor Dupuis' successor in Chemistry is Mr. George McGowan.

This gentleman is an F.R.S.E. and a Fellow of the Chemical Societies of London and Berlin. Mr. McGowan's chemical education has been of the widest and most thorough kind obtainable in Europe. He was not only a distinguished student in Scotland, where he assisted Mr. J. Y. Buchanan of the "Challenger" expedition staff in working out the problems arising from results of the 'Challenger researches,' but he also studied Organic Chemistry in the Laboratory of Professor Kolbe in Leipsic, and Analytical Chemistry under Professor Fresenius, of Weisbaden, the two most distinguished chemists in Germany. Mr. McGowan has also had exceptional opportunities for studying Industrial and Agricultural Chemistry.

We shall be sorry to lose Dupuis' lectures in Chemistry, because they have always been one of the chief features of our course. But with his favorite subject of Mathematics alone to deal with, we may expect great things from those in that department.

Our staff, of course, is not yet by any means as complete as it should be. History and English Literature are subjects too vast for the grasp of one man. There should also be separate instructors in French and German, while a tutor in Mathematics would take an immense amount of work off the Professor's shoulders. We have this year a lecturer in Political Economy, formerly one of Professor Watson's subjects, and it would be a capital thing if this lectureship were permanent. There are other subjects for which it would be of course premature and senseless to hope for professors. But we are steadily going forward, and at the present rate of progress we can easily foresee the time, when we shall be able to call ourselves sons of the most efficient University in the Dominion.

The staff of the College, according to recent changes, is now as follows:

#### ARTS:

Classics—Senior and Honor—Professor Fletcher.

Junior—Mr. Nicholson.

Mathematics—Professor Dupuis.

History and English Literature—Professor Ferguson.

Astronomy—Professor Williamson.

Mental and Moral Philosophy—Professor Watson.

Chemistry—Professor McGowan.

Physics—Professor \_\_\_\_\_ (to be appointed next month.)

Natural Science—Mr. Fowler.

Modern Languages—Mr. Nicholson.

Political Economy—Rev. R. Campbell, M.A., B.Sc.

#### THEOLOGY:

Divinity—Principal Grant.

Hebrew and Biblical Criticism—Professor Mowat.

Church History—Rev. Jas. Carmichael, M.A.

Apologetics—Rev. Donald Ross, B.D.

Elocution—Vacant.