

Dr. Barclay is accomplishing, and should be among the first to thank him for his readiness to undertake this work in addition to that of his own church.

THE LATE DR. SMYTH.

The Montreal pulpit has suffered a severe loss by the death of the Rev. W. J. Smyth, Ph.D., pastor of Calvin Church, on the 20th of October, after a prolonged illness. As a preacher Dr. Smyth was always simple, clear, and practical. He prepared carefully for the pulpit, and was often exceedingly happy in his illustrations, which were drawn from a scientific acquaintance with nature. As a pastor he was indefatigable and won his way readily to the hearts of the people, being an especial favorite with children. Students found in him a sympathetic friend, and, though the church is somewhat remote from the College, not a few of them were attracted to his services. Under his administration the congregation enjoyed for a time unwonted prosperity, which was checked, however, by the financial difficulties thrown upon it by the extravagant street widening projects of the civic authorities. The worry occasioned by this, acting on a frame never too robust, and exhausted with heavy pastoral labor, no doubt did much to bring on his last fatal illness.

We desire to express our deepest sympathy with his family, and his large circle of friends and admirers.

DIOCESAN COLLEGE AND ITS LATE PRINCIPAL.

We congratulate the students of the Diocesan College upon taking possession of their handsome new building. Its beauty of design, richness of decoration, and its tasteful and luxurious equipment, make it a gift well worthy of the generous donor, worthy of a place among McGill's group of affiliated colleges, worthy most of all of the high service to which it has been consecrated.

The site is well chosen. It seems fitting that McGill, our