

those attending the College, rather more than one-half are in the preparatory department, under the Rev. G. P. Young; the rest are studying Theology, in its varied departments, under Principal Willis, Professor Caven, and Mr. Proudfoot. After the holidays, Mr. Ure will give a course of lectures in Apologetics.

We are glad to say that every year the number of scholarships or bursaries is increased. There are now, including three for proficiency in Gaelic, fourteen scholarships, ranging generally in value from \$40 to \$60 per annum, with two or three exceptions, open for competition.

We trust that when called upon, in due time, the various congregations will be heartily disposed to contribute liberally for the support of this institution, which has done, and is doing, so much for the supply of ministers and missionaries for the Church.

PRESBYTERIAN COLLEGE, MONTREAL.

The second session of this College opened on the 7th day of October last. Twenty-three students were reported as having given in their names, and nineteen are now in attendance in classes taught by Prof. McVicar and Rev. J. M. Gibson. The latter gentleman was unanimously appointed by the College Board to lecture during the present session in the department of Exegetics.

The College is established by charter, obtained under the direction of the Synod, and is affiliated with the University of McGill, and thus enjoys the fullest facilities for the literary training of young men.

The friends of the institution at Quebec have generously contributed to its Endowment Fund \$4,640, making a total now subscribed of \$24,864; of which sum \$12,343 is paid and invested as follows, viz: In city of Montreal consolidated stock, at 7 per cent., \$6,000; on a mortgage, at 8 per cent., \$4,000; and waiting investment in the Savings Bank, at 5 per cent., \$2,343. There are, also, about to be competed for by students, 11 Bursaries, of the value of \$50 to \$60 each; and the Library contains over one thousand volumes. Such is the present state of the College.

The Board, at its meeting in October last, feeling that the time had arrived for increased and energetic effort in order to place the institution in a better position, financially and otherwise, resolved—

1. To seek, as far as practicable, the immediate payment of the amount now subscribed to the Endowment Fund.

2. To increase said Fund to at least \$30,000; and this committee was then empowered to take steps for this purpose.

3. To authorize the same committee to solicit subscriptions and donations of books for the Library.

The committee, therefore, issues this statement and appeal, in the hope that it may meet with a favorable response. It is obvious that a very decided increase in the number of Ministers and Missionaries is required in order to meet the present wants of the Church in Canada. The Home Mission Committee, in the last number of the RECORD, reports forty-eight vacant congregations, with only thirteen probationers to supply them. And this is exclusive of several vacancies not reported to the committee, and exclusive of our Mission Field, Home and Foreign. As yet the Canada Presbyterian Church has only one Missionary to the heathen. This Committee, therefore, learns with satisfaction that some of the students have Foreign Mission work in contemplation. But if Ministers and Mis-