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Editorials.

IN the Toronto Globe of February 13th, there appears an editorial dealing with Mr. E. J. B. Pense's speech on the Budget, in the course of which speech Mr. Pense touched on the relations between Toronto University and Queen's University. The editorial seems to us to be, on the whole, an eminently just appreciation of the work Queen's is doing and of the attitude of Queen's towards her sister University at Toronto. The Globe says: "Those who owe no part of their educational equipment to Queen's University, who can in no sense be called Queen's men, but who have something of the true University spirit, and who have come near enough to Queen's University to appreciate her work and to understand the genius and the temper of her life, can bear this emphatic testimony, that no representative Queen's man ever minimized the claims of the Provincial University or opposed by word or act the most generous treatment of her

growing needs by the Provincial Government. Had any Queen's Graduate taken that position, he would but proclaim the failure of his University to do anything worth while for his intellectual culture."

We believe that the editor of the Globe has, in the above extract, fairly stated our position in the matter of Provincial aid to Toronto. We rejoice in the continued growth and expansion of Toronto University and believe that our Legislators should afford her generous treatment. But on the other hand, Toronto should not imagine that in the development of Queen's, she can see the rise of an institution which will be inimical to her interests and her future progress; she should rather see in our growth, the growth of a fellow-worker, in all that pertains to the higher needs of the Province. In fact the existence of Queen's has been of some service to Toronto. The Globe says: "Not a little of the larger liberality towards the University of Toronto now devised by the Government and approved by the Province is the direct or indirect result of the marvellous enthusiasm, devotion and self-sacrifice of the graduates of that institution for their Alma Mater."

We heartily agree with the statement that what the University of Toronto has chiefly to fear is "not the existence or the development or the eager aggressiveness of other Universities, but the lack of the true University spirit within the circle of the Provincial University itself, and the indifference of the Legislators and their constituents to University ideals."

This true university spirit enables a person to appreciate what is good and valuable in others. A man imbued with this spirit is possessed of a