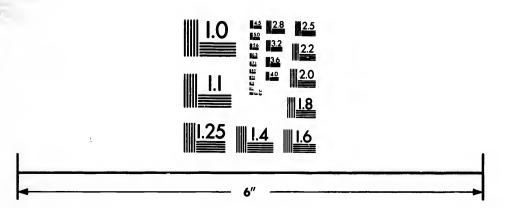
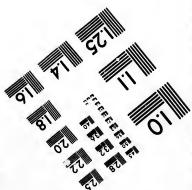


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CHURCH UNIVERSITY FUND.

THE Committee of the UPPER CANADA CHURCH UNIVERSITY FUND beg to invite the attention of Subscribers, and of all who desire the progress of the Church in the Colonies, to the following Letter, which has been formally presented to them by the Ven. Archdeacon Bethune, now in this country as the delegate of the Bishop of Toronto, to promote the cause in which they themselves are so much interested.

The Committee would remind them that a large proportion of the inhabitants of the Diocese of Toronto, according to the census, are enrolled members of the Church of England; that till the year 1849 there was a College, which such members could avail themselves of for the education of their children in sound moral and Christian training; that by an Act of the Colonial Legislature, which took effect on January 1st, 1850, the endowments of this College, which produced a revenue of £11,000 per annum, were estranged, the Royal Charter of 1827 set aside, and the essentially Christian character of the College destroyed. The aged Bishop of the Diocese then resolved on the arduous undertaking of providing an University, in which this Christian character should be recognised; and through the blessing of Gop poured out upon the large-hearted sympathy and exertions of those friends of Christian Education who responded to his appeal, he has been successful to the extent detailed below.

With these few prefatory remarks, the Committee would commend the following Letter to the attentive consideration of all:—

GENTLEMEN.

LONDON, June 4, 1852.

HAVING some months ago expressed to the BISHOP OF TORONTO a desire to visit England, for the benefit of a brief season of recreation, and to render that visit, as far as possible, conducive to the interests of the Church and of Church Institutions in his Diocese, I have been requested by his Lordship, and the Council of the University of Trinity College at Toronto, to "exert my best services, during my stay in the mother country, in soliciting the benevolence of the members of the Church in England and Ireland towards forming an Endowment for the permanent support of that University."

On the return of the Bishop to his Diocese, in November 1850, a site was immediately produced for the erection of the College, contiguous to the city of Toronto, consisting of twenty acres, in a pleasant situation, fronting the great highway from Toronto westwards, and commanding a view of Lake Ontario. This site was produced at an expense of £2,000 currency, and the cost was considered reasonable.

Very soon after, contracts were entered into for the erection of the front portion of the College; which, with the exception of the west wing, has been completed. This, also, is in progress, and the whole Front, when completed, will include the Library (used at present as the Chapel), Class-rooms for Divinity, Arts, Medicine, Chemistry, and Natural Philosophy, and separate Lodging-rooms for nearly fifty Students, besides the Provost's residence and apartments for domestics. The completion of this portion of the building, including the cost of the land, will cause an expenditure of about £10,000 sterling.

The rear half of the quadrangle, when completed, will contain the Chapel, Museum, Dining Hall, Class and Professors' Rooms, and apartments for other fifty Students. As this portion of the building need not be so ornamental as the front, it is estimated that it may be completed for about £7,000 sterling.

Late in the autumn of 1851, the gentlemen selected under the authority of the Bishop to conduct the business of instruction in Trinity College, arrived in Toronto; viz. the Rev. George Whitaker, M.A. of Queen's College, Cambridge, Provost; the Rev. E. St. John Parry, M.A. of Balliol College, Oxford, Professor of Classics; and the Rev. G. CLERK IRVING, B.A. of St. John's College, Cambridge, Professor of Mathematics. On the 15th January last, the College was formally opened for the work of instruction: the attendance of visitors was very large, and the whole proceedings of the day appeared to make a very deep and gratifying impression. Twenty-one Students have matriculated, most of them Candidates for Holy Orders; and, in October next, it is believed that there will be a large addition to that number. The procuring of a Royal Charter, which has now been graciously conceded. will greatly inspirit the friends of the College, and induce many young men to enter who held back from the apprehension that the power of conferring Degrees was not to be granted.

Attached to the University are Faculties in Medicine and Law, the Lectures in which are attended by about forty Students. No salaries

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are paid to the Professors in these two departments; and the only cost to the College created by them are a few contingent expenses attending the Medical Department. The gentlemen who give their gratuitous services in these two Faculties are of high standing in the country; and, while their connexion with the University serves to bring credit to the Institution, a wider interest and closer sympathy is created in its favour through the Students, belonging generally to the most respectable families, who avail themselves of their instructions.

The more regular Students in Divinity and Arts are all required to reside within the College, excepting those who can live in their parents' houses in the town or neighbourhood; and even this exception is not allowed to apply to those who hold Scholarships of any value whatsoever. The cost of residence is, however, reduced to as low a rate as possible; £50 currency (equal to about £40 sterling) per annum being made to cover the whole expense of boarding, lodging, and fees of every description.

The College, therefore, has commenced, and has so far proceeded with the highest promise and the best prospects of success. The only feeling of doubt or apprehension arises from the possible failure of the necessary means of maintaining it, together with the completion of the rest of the buildings. To avert this unhappy consequence, an effort is being made to increase the subscriptions in Canada,—two Clergymen having been selected by the Bishop of Toronto to make the tour of the Diocese for that purpose; and another has been sent to the United States to solicit contributions, partly from British residents in that country-some of whom might be disposed to send their sons to our University; and partly from wealthy members of the Church in the principal towns and cities. Such an application is considered not unreasonable, when it is recollected that large donations were given in England some years ago to Bishop Chase, for Kenyon College; and that a very celebrated Institution and Library, at Washington. is indebted for its establishment to the liberality of a British subject. It will appear, then, that every practicable exertion is being made in the Colony, and in North America generally, for the augmentation of the funds of the College; but it is impossible to calculate upon the result, while it is to be feared that, as Upper Canada has already been so generally canvassed, the increased amount to be obtained there cannot be very great. Our great dependence, therefore, as the Bishop of Toronto states, must be upon England; and a renewed appeal to the members of the Church in this country was accordingly determined upon.

The subscriptions in Canada are nominally already about £25,000 currency; but of these a large proportion is in land, which cannot be available for a considerable time, though ultimately it can be made to aid in the formation of an Endowment: a portion has been

contributed in the stock of Building Societies, which it will take some years to realize; and of the donations in money, nearly the whole are payable in annual instalments of three or five years, as it was found impossible to procure liberal subscriptions in a new and poor country without affording some time for payment.

The position of the College in a pecuniary point of view may be thus generally stated:—

Cost of Land, and of Buildings already erected		£10,000
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fessors, Expenses on Charter, &c. &c., say		1,500
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for Library, Apparatus, &c. say		1,500
for Endowment, so as to yield £2,500 per ann. (a very moderate	revenue)	40,000
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Received in England	£10,000	
Contributions in Canada (£25,000 currency)	20,000	
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The Bishop of Toronto has recommended the adoption of the following course, in the proposed collections in England and other parts of the United Kingdom:—

1. Collections in the principal cities and towns by individual application, in conjunction with Clergymen and other gentlemen upon the spot, to whom introductions should be obtained.

2. Public Meetings in as many places as might be recommended by the Committee; where such local co-operation could be reckoned upon as would give promise of reasonable success.

3. The use of Churches for Sermons, where such can be procured.

4. The formation of Committees in certain places to act in correspondence with the chief Committee in London.

5. The diffusion of information through friendly newspapers; and the circulation by the Committee of another appeal, embodying a statement of the present condition and wants of the College.

In undertaking the commission with which I have been honoured, I beg most respectfully to place this statement in the hands of the Committee who have so long zealously and ably acted on behalf of the Church University of Toronto; and to say that I shall very thankfully receive their suggestions, and spare no exertion of my own in forwarding an enterprise of such vital importance to our Colonial Church.

I have the honour to be, Gentlemen,

Your faithful humble Servant,

A. N. BETHUNE, D.D.

Archdeacon of York, Diocese of Toronto, Canada.

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be seen from what is stated above, that, while there be much encouragement towards the accomplishment of the noble design of the Bishop, yet, reckoning to the fullest extent upon local resources, much is still required to place the College in a position which will ensure its permanent independence. The Committee therefore venture to hope, that, in the cause of Christian Education, and that too for a rapidly increasing population, the majority of whom are either emigrants from the United Kingdom, or the children of such emigrants, the exertions of the Colonists, who thenselves fully realize the immense importance of the scheme, will be liberally met and supported: and that the very cheering circumstances detailed above will induce many friends of Church Education to come forward and assist, by their bounty, the progress of the English Church among her Colonial children. The blessing of God has been shed richly hitherto upon their work, and they trust that the willing cooperation of the children of His Covenant will not be withheld.

(Signed)

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79, Pall Mall, June 8th, 1852.

All Communications and Contributions are requested to be addressed, "The Secretaries of the Upper Canada Church University Fund, 79, Pall Mall, London."

Payments may be made by Cheque on a London Banker, crossed "Messrs. Drummond," or, by a Post Office Order on the General Post Office, payable to "Mr. Edmund Fayerman, of 79, Pall Mall, London." Payments will also be received at the Bank of Messrs. Glyn, 67, Lombard Street, and Messrs. Drummond, 49, Charing Cross.

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