

it is confidently anticipated that the one recently organized for Central Canada will, if properly sustained, prove highly beneficial not only to teachers but also to the public generally. The distance between the Central and the extreme Eastern and Western Counties of this Province has to a large extent prevented Teachers from this section from availing themselves of the advantages of other kindred Institutions; and it is thought that a sufficiently extensive field may be found in Central Canada in which to commence another. It is contemplated to have two meetings of the Institute during the year, one on the first Friday of July, the other on the last Friday of December, also to hold the meetings in different places as may be arranged by the members of the Institute. Many of the leading Teachers and other friends of Education have already expressed their hearty concurrence with the movement, and their intention of connecting themselves with it, as soon as it commences its operations. The first meeting of the Institute will be held in Ottawa, on the First Friday of July next. Parties are respectfully invited to attend and become a member, and in the meantime to communicate their intention of doing so to J. McMILLAN, Secretary.

— JOHN GORDON, Esq.—On Friday afternoon last the pupils of the Union School presented Mr. Gordon with a handsome testimonial, consisting of a silver tea pitcher, goblet, and salver, suitably engraved. All the scholars, and a few friends, being collected in Mr. Gordon's room at the school, Master W. Evatt, on behalf of the committee, read a very complimentary address. Mr. Gordon was much affected, and faltered several times during his reply. In addition to the above very handsome testimonial presented by his late pupils, a number of Mr. Gordon's friends waited upon him at the residence of Alfred Rubidge, Esq., on Monday evening last, and presented him with the following address, accompanying it with a purse containing, we believe, about \$100, as a parting token of esteem:—"To John Gordon, Esq., Head Master of the United Grammar and Common Schools, Port Hope: We, the undersigned inhabitants of Port Hope, have heard with extreme regret that your connection with the chief educational establishment of this county is about to cease, and that you intend leaving Canada at an early day. Under your superintendence for the last nine years, the schools of which you have charge have steadily flourished, and we have had the great satisfaction of seeing established in our midst an institution which affords to all classes the means of a liberal education in all the essential branches of learning. To you, in a very great measure, is due the success which has attended these schools, and their present high state of efficiency, and your name must ever be associated with the benefits they have conferred on the community. We bear cordial testimony to the zealous, faithful, and highly satisfactory manner in which you have at all times discharged the duties of your responsible office; and while we congratulate you upon the honourable position which has been awarded you in the mother country, we feel that in your departure the cause of education in this section of the country suffers a severe loss, and our town loses a useful and much respected citizen. We offer you our best wishes for the happiness and prosperity of yourself and your family in your future home, and we beg your acceptance of the accompanying trifling testimonial of our esteem and regard.—For the contributors, C. QUINLAN, Mayor of Port Hope." Mr. Gordon replied as follows:—"Port Hope, May 15th, 1865. Gentlemen—I thank you heartily for the very flattering address which you have just presented to me, and for the handsome gift which accompanies it. In looking back upon my labours in your midst during the last nine years, I cannot but feel that amid the many obstacles and drawbacks which must of necessity beset the teacher's path, much of the success and prosperity of your public schools is to be attributed to the kindly consideration and ready co-operation which I have uniformly received from the friends of liberal education in this town; and if I have any cause for regret now on the eve of my departure from amongst you, it is that I have not been able to bring the educational standard of the schools to that state of excellence which theoretically I feel convinced they must reach in due time. I cannot but congratulate you, however, on the possession of a regularly organized system of schools, graduated from the elementary to the highest grammar school department; and it is my fervent prayer, on resigning charge of them, that they may continue to flourish, and long be a blessing to the citizens of Port Hope. I beg to reciprocate your kind wishes for the future prosperity of myself and family, and remain, gentlemen, very faithfully yours, JOHN GORDON." It could not but be highly gratifying to Mr. Gordon to find that his labours have been appreciated, and that, in leaving Port Hope, he did so, bearing with him the good wishes of the entire

community. There was a large turn out of his friends on Tuesday evening last, on the wharf, to bid him and his family farewell, and to wish them God-speed on their journey. They leave by the *Hibernian*, which sails from Quebec on Saturday next.—*Port Hope British Canadian*.

— THE ONTARIO COLLEGIATE SCHOOL, in connection with the Diocese of Ontario, is in contemplation; and the Bishop is desirous of establishing it in or near Picton, in this County. A meeting was held in the Mechanics' Hall, on Wednesday evening last, for the above object—over which Captain Downes presided; and the purposes for which the people had come together were ably explained by the Rev. W. H. Smythe, who is the business Agent in the matter. The property of Mrs. Ryland, near the Town, is the location now in view, and it can be purchased for \$12,000. The proportion of this sum which will be required to be raised in this County, is \$8,000. A Committee was appointed to manage the matter, with Mr. Smythe for Secretary. The following Resolution was passed:

"That this meeting view with great satisfaction the proposal of having Ontario College established in the vicinity of Picton—a locality which need only be seen to convince all that his Lordship the Bishop of Ontario has fixed upon a most desirable site for such an Institution—and this meeting therefore pledge themselves to do their utmost to assist in providing the £2,000 of funds, the amount required of this town and county."

A meeting of the Committee was held yesterday afternoon, in the Sheriff's Office, at which the Bishop was present—having been previously invited. The question was asked his lordship, whether the purchase of the property above named was decided upon by him, or was it open to the selection of any other suitable site; and the reply was, that as it was his wish to open the College in October next, he thought it desirable to secure the Ryland property without delay. \$3,000 have been subscribed by a few individuals in Picton; and the Committee feel sanguine that the whole amount will be readily taken up.—*Picton Times*.

— QUEEN'S COLLEGE, KINGSTON.—We notice in the *Scotsman*, the name of Mr. D. James Macdonnell, of Canada, among those of seven gentlemen, who, out of twenty candidates, have after a strict examination taken the degree of Bachelor of Divinity in the University of Edinburgh. Mr. Macdonnell is a graduate of Queen's University, and has well sustained the honor of his *Alma Mater*, having also carried off the first and second prizes in two of the Edinburgh Theological classes respectively, besides distinguishing himself in a similar manner last year at Glasgow University.

— UNIVERSITY HONORS WON BY A CANADIAN.—The *Montreal Gazette* of Saturday has the following:—"We noticed some time ago that Mr. G. D. Redpath, of Montreal, had carried off the highest prize for sculling on the river at the University of Cambridge. But it seems that he trained not only his muscle but his brain also; for we notice that in the last examinations he went out with honors in the classical tripos. Although Cambridge has its chief *renommees* with the outside world for mathematical students, we believe it is an error to suppose that honors in the classical tripos are not as hardly earned there as at Oxford, or as the honors in mathematics at Cambridge itself. A disadvantage of our Canadian or of American students competing for classical honors in either of the great English Universities, is the lack of thorough training in all or nearly all of our schools in Latin versification, which counts for a great deal at both Universities. Spite of this, Mr. Redpath went in for honors and won them. To show how boating and study go together, we see it noticed that the man who took the highest double honors at Cambridge this year—being 18th wrangler and high up in the classical tripos as well—rowed No. 2 in the University boat at the recent contest between Oxford and Cambridge. It is the old maxim proved—*Mens sana in corpore sano*."

— UNIVERSITY OF GLASGOW.—We are pleased to see by the *Glasgow Herald* of the 29th ult., that our young townsman, Mr. Archibald E. Malloch of this town, has been adding laurels to his name. The prize and honor certificates of the university of Glasgow for 1864-5 are published in full in the *Herald*, wherein we find that Mr. Malloch has been awarded a first class certificate in both classes in the senior division of Anatomy; also a first class certificate of merit in surgery. He also ranks B.A. This must be very gratifying to Judge Malloch, as it gives evidence that his son must have attended well to his studies. In the same paper we see it stated that the Degree of Doctor of Divinity has been conferred by the same university on the Rev. William Snodgrass, Principal of Queen's College, Kingston, Canada.—*Brockville Recorder*.

— QUEBEC SEMINARY.—The gentlemen of the Quebec Seminary have