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### THE LATE HEW RAMSAY, ESQ.

We have to record with deep regret the decease of the publisher of this Journal, HEW RAMSAY, Esq., for twenty-four years a resident of this city, and one of its most respected and esteemed citizens. Mr. RAMSAY was a man of liberal education and strong literary tastes; and a zealous promoter of education and popular enlightenment. He always evinced a lively interest in the important objects for which this Journal was established, and devoted much time and thought to its management. Those who have experienced the difficulty of maintaining in this country an Agricultural literature, can alone appreciate the value of his useful exertions in this respect.

The following extract is from the Hon. Mr. Justice Day's address at the late conversazione at Burnside Hall, and indicates the value which should be attached to the educational efforts of Mr. Ramsay:

"And yet I must ask your sympathy in one thing more—a word of sad, just tribute to the memory of one who was but a few weeks since a Governor of this University. Among all the friends of education and human progress, there was not in this Province a more faithful, judicious and untiring one than the late Hew Ramsay. To an excellent education and large stores of knowledge, which that lamented gentleman possessed, were united a fine natural intelligence, a sound judgment, and a true and benevolent heart. To him, perhaps, more than to any other one man, may be justly ascribed the progress of this University, and

the position which it now occupies. His death, in the vigor of manhood, was a great misfortune to it, and a loss to the community in which he lived. Whoever, like him, has, by earnest efforts, been instrumental in dissipating the obscurity of ignorance, and

letting in the pure, piercing light which irradiates and spiritualizes this dark and cloddish humanity of ours, has done a work which should embalm his memory in our hearts—for it is second in intrinsic nobleness to none which can claim a country's gratitude."

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### Wm. EVANS, Esq.

*Late Secretary of the  
Board of Agriculture for  
Lower Canada.*

For the above characteristic likeness of Mr. Evans, engraved by Walker, of this city, we are indebted to the kindness of the Hon. Superintendent of Education, by whose orders it was prepared to illustrate a biographical sketch from the pen of Mr. Chauveau himself, in the last number of the *Journal de l'Instruction Publique*. Our readers will, we know concur with us in thanking that gentleman for thus perpetuating for their benefit the thoughtful features and fine brow of our departed friend.



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### BOARD OF AGRICULTURE..

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Montreal, 3rd March, 1857.

The Board of Agriculture met on the 3rd March instant, and the following gentlemen

were present :—R. N. Watts, Esq., President; E. J. Deblois, Esq., Vice-President; Major Campbell, C. B., John Yule, Esq., B. Pomroy, Esq., and Principal Dawson, McGill College. The President took the