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EDUCATION AT THE CENTENNIAL EXHIBITION.*

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Every patriotic Canadian wended his way as soon as possible after reaching the Centennial Exhibition to that portion of the Main Building in which the exhibits of his country were displayed. And it was with a glow of honest pride that he surveyed the goodly display made by the youngest of the nations—our own New Dominion—even as compared with those of the oldest, richest, and most powerful nations of the earth. It was especially gratifying to observe that in the highest result of modern civilization—the appliances, various apparatus, and general prevision for popular education—Canada was surpassed by no country in the world, if, indeed, it was equalled by any country represented in that great congress of the nations.

The most conspicuous feature on approaching the Canadian department, one that at once challenged the attention of all

* Official Report on the Ontario Educational Exhibit and other Educational Features of the International Exhibition at Philadelphia, 1876. By J. George Hodgins, LL.D., Deputy-Minister of Education. Large 8vo., pp. 306. Illustrated.

We are indebted to this valuable Report for the information given in this article, and also to the courtesy of Dr. Hodgins for the admirable engravings by which it is illustrated.