

efforts to secure the temporal rights of our beloved Church, in times of great public commotion—when principle is too often sacrificed to expediency, and a cold disregard of religion, disguised under the mask of a false liberality—we gratefully adore the Great Head of the Church that it has pleased Him to make your Lordship the "Overseer of His Flock" in Upper Canada.

Attached as we are, from choice, from education, and from principle, to the inimitable Liturgy of our pure and Apostolic Church, we feel the more anxiously desirous of inculcating upon the minds of the rising generation a knowledge of Her doctrines and discipline, and believing as we do, that your Lordship will rejoice to hear of the smallest extension of this knowledge, we beg most respectfully to acquaint your Lordship, that the number of pupils, the vigor and efficiency of this Institution are at present greater than at any previous period within our recollection.

In conclusion we most humbly and devoutly implore the blessing of Almighty God upon yourself and family, and that your Lordship may, by your learning, your fervent zeal and piety, long adorn that exalted station in the Church of God, to which by His own Providence you have been called; that when the Great Shepherd and Bishop of souls shall appear, you may receive as your reward "A Crown of Glory that fadeth not away."

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| J. T. WILSON. | JOHN HARRINGTON. |
| THOS. CHAMPION. | W. W. FITZGIBBON. |
| N. W. HARVEY. | GEORGE M. JARVIS, Jr. |
| G. W. ALLAN. | J. HARVEY. |
| LUKIN ROBINSON. | B. BRITTON. |
| ROBT. SCOTT, Jr. | GEORGE W. WILLIAMS. |
| JNO. MOSLEY. | A. SAVIGNY. |
| ARTHUR MORTIMER. | |

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A RARA AVIS.

It may be of interest to our readers to learn that Trinity College museum possesses a *rara avis* in the form of a hoopoe bird from Africa. It has been ascertained that there is no specimen of this bird in any other museum or known collection in Canada. Not being able, with certainty, to identify the exact species of hoopoe, Prof. Montgomery called in Mr J. H. Fleming, who has a fine collection of birds, and who is probably the best practical ornithologist in the Dominion. Mr. Fleming, however, was unable to place it with exactness, and the bird was then sent to Ridgway, the curator of the Department of Birds in the Smithsonian Institution, Washington. Ridgway has returned the bird, saying that they have no bird like it, but he thinks it to be the species *viridis* of the genus *Irisor*.

CONVOCATION NOTES.

The regular monthly meeting of the Executive Committee was held last Tuesday evening in the Registrar's room. There were present the Chairman, the Provost (who occupied the chair during the earlier part of the meeting), the Registrar, the Dean, the Clerk, Professors Cayley and Mackenzie, Rev. H. B. Gwyn, Messrs. C. S. MacInnes, K. Martin, A. B. Pottenger, D. T. Symons and A. H. Young.

LOCAL CORRESPONDENTS.

The Clerk reported that Dr. Griffin had agreed to act as Convocation's correspondent and Trinity's agent in Brantford, the Venerable Archdeacon Evans in Montreal, and the Reverend F. Dumoulin in Cleveland. A suggestion came from the Reverend John Gibson, of Norwood, that a card calendar should be issued by the University as a means of giving information about it. The suggestion was laid over for further consideration.

ACCOUNTS PASSED.

The Dean's account for his expenses as a member of the deputation to Ottawa was passed and it was ordered that

Professor Mackenzie should be repaid the amount advanced by him to the printer on Year Book account. The total cost of the Year Book, including postage, circulars, and stationery, was \$299.69, the total receipts \$252.82. Unpaid subscriptions to the amount of \$37.50 are still outstanding. If these are paid in full the net deficit will be \$9. Subscribers who have not yet settled their accounts are requested to do so at once, making their remittance to the Clerk.

YEAR BOOK.

It has been decided to make the Year Book a University publication this year, and not a College one merely. Mr. Young undertakes the editorial work, Professor Mackenzie the business management, and Dr. Fotheringham and Mr. MacInnes have been associated with them, so that Medicine and Law may receive proper attention. Suggestions will be thankfully received and duly considered by the editors.

VACANCY ON THE EXECUTIVE.

The Reverend John Mockridge, having removed to Detroit, sent in his resignation and his place on the Executive was filled by the election of Mr. W. H. White, M.A., Fellow in Classics, who has already done good service in connection with the committee's work.

CHANCELLOR'S PORTRAIT.

The Registrar reported for the portrait committee that the sum of \$553.00 had already been subscribed and all but about \$90.00 paid up; that Mr. Wylie Grier had almost finished the portrait; and that April 7th, the day of the Medical Convocation, would be a suitable time for the unveiling. The Executive approved of the date suggested and ordered the sub-committee to make all the arrangements as to speakers and an address.

LAW CIRCULAR.

The law circular is an excerpt from the University calendar and sets forth all the regulations relating to the Proceedings in Law. It gives also a list of the medals, the dates of the examination, and the scale of fees. Copies have been sent to the students-at-law in attendance at lectures at Osgoode Hall.

DEFERRED MOTION.

The following motion of Mr. Kirwan Martin, which was laid over from the previous meeting, was again discussed and was finally passed in its present form:—"Resolved, that no organization connected with the University make a general appeal for money to the alumni of the University or to members of Convocation without first obtaining the consent of the Executive Committee of Corporation or of the Executive Committee of Convocation."

THE REVIEW.

The relations of Convocation to THE REVIEW having come up for discussion some time ago, the question was referred to a sub-committee for investigation. The committee recommended —(1) That no change be proposed at the present time in the agreement under which we are working, viz.: that, in consideration of an annual grant of \$100.00, the editors of THE REVIEW place at the disposal of Convocation four pages of space and send a copy of the paper free to every High School in the province and to every Associate Member of Convocation who is not a graduate of the University. (2) That a statement of these terms and the names of the Convocation editors stand at the head of the first column of Convocation Notes. (3) That, in accordance with custom and practice, Convocation's editors be present at the meeting at which the editor-in-chief is to be elected and shall be consulting editors, but that this arrangement does not at all imply that Convocation assumes control of or responsibility for the paper. (4) That as Convocation is an advertiser, and not a partner in the concern, it shall not expect any financial statement of the affairs of THE REVIEW. The Clerk was instructed to send a copy of the