

crowns to win, a hell to escape, a heaven to make sure, yet thou hast but a little time to do it in; thou hast one foot in the grave, thou art even going ashore on eternity; and wilt thou now cry out of thy afflictions? Wilt thou now mutter and murmur when thou art entering upon an unchangeable condition. What extreme folly and madness is it for a man to mutter and murmur when he is just going out of prison, and his bolts and chains are just knocking off! Why, Christian, this is just thy case, therefore hold thy peace; thy life is but short, therefore thy troubles cannot be long; hold up, and hold out quietly and patiently a little longer, and Heaven shall make amends for all.—*Brooks's Mute Christian under the Smarting Rod.*

SIR JOHN FRANKLIN'S LAST LETTER.

The following letter from Sir John Franklin is believed to be the last received from his pen.

WHALE FISH ISLAND,

Bay of Disco, 11th July, 1845.

"My dear Sister: \* \* \* The appearance, dress and manner of the Esquimaux bespeak that care is taken of them by the Government. Several of them can read the Bible with ease, and I am told that, when the families are collected, the children are obliged to attend school daily. I looked into one of the huts arranged with seats for this purpose. When the minister comes over from Disco, he superintends the school; at other times the children are taught by a half-caste Esquimaux. How delightful it is to know that the Gospel is spreading far and wide, and will do so till its blessed truths are disseminated through the Globe. Every ship in these days ought to go forth to strange lands bearing among its officers a missionary spirit; and may God grant such a spirit on board this ship. It is my desire to cultivate this feeling, and I am encouraged to hope that we have among us some who will aid me in this duty. We have Divine service twice on each Sabbath, and I never witnessed a more attentive congregation than we have. May the seed sown fall upon good ground, and bring forth fruit abundantly to God's honour and glory.

Ever your affectionate brother,  
(Signed) JOHN FRANKLIN."  
—Exchange Paper.

P. S.—Since going to press we have received the following particulars regarding the late Rev. Mr. Bell, of Perth, whose death has been noticed at page 131:—

He had preached with much difficulty for the last time on the 3rd of May. The congregation to whom he had so long ministered, having been united with that of St. Andrew's Church in the beginning of June, according to the deliverance of Synod, on occasion of the Communion being dispensed to the united congregation he was conveyed to the Church and addressed the Communicants at the table. The little quaint-looking Church, which amid many difficulties he had got erected in the early times of the settlement, is now deserted, but there linger around it many of the holiest and most heartfelt associations of two generations of the Presbyterian Community.

His funeral took place on the following Tuesday afternoon, and was attended by all his surviving sons, a number of grandsons, such ministers as could receive intimation in time, the elders, the members of the Perth congregation, and some persons

from the surrounding townships and villages, and many others of the inhabitants of Perth, the merchants having closed their places of business during the time of the funeral. In the long procession were to be seen the venerable survivors of the early pioneers of the Perth settlement, among whom, more than 40 years ago, he had commenced his labours in a room of one of the first houses erected in Perth.

The members of the Presbytery of Bathurst who were present, afterwards met in the Church, and made a record of the event, and appointed Mr. Morrison, of Brockville, to preach a discourse suited to the circumstances in Perth on the following Sabbath.

POETRY.

EMMAUS.

"Lo, I am with thee!"—bid thy fears  
And anxious sorrows cease;  
My hand will dry thy saddest tears.  
My lips will whisper peace.

"Lo, I am with thee!"—when the tomb  
Thy loved ones calls away,  
My voice shall cheer the valley-gloom  
With thoughts of endless day.

"Lo, I am with thee!"—what the loss  
Of all thou canst deplore,  
When placed beside the awful Cross  
Which once for thee I bore?

"Lo, I am with thee!"—when the bed  
Of languishing is thine,  
Thou shalt repose thy aching head  
Upon My love Divine.

"Lo, I am with thee!"—when the knell  
Of closing hours shall ring,  
Mine arm the final foe shall quell  
And crush his vanquished sting!

"Lo, I am with thee!"—still the same  
Through endless years above;  
Mid brighter worlds I shall proclaim  
My changeless, deathless love!  
ALTAR STONES.

Grant us, O Lord, a tranquil mind,  
Which rest and peace in Thee doth find,  
Convinced, whatever ills betide,  
That Thou art still our faithful guide.

O Lord, without Thy Spirit's aid,  
In vain is supplication made;  
His gracious influence impart,  
Yea, dwell thyself within my heart;  
The thoughts incite, the words suggest,  
And grant me what Thou deemest best.

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THE Sixteenth Session of Queen's College will begin on the first Wednesday of October, (7th October) 1857, at which date all Intrants and regular Students in the Faculty of Arts are required to be present.

The Divinity classes will be opened on the first Wednesday in November.

Candidates for Matriculation as regular Students of the first year will undergo an examination before the College Senate in the first three books of the *Aeneid* of Virgil, the first three books of *Cæsar's Commentaries*, Mair's Introduction, the Greek Grammar, and Arithmetic as far as Vulgar and Decimal Fractions, inclusive.

The only charges are £1 for Matriculation Fee; £2 for each class per session, to be paid on admission to the Classes, and £1 additional in the Natural Philosophy Class for expenses of apparatus.

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Each Student on entering must produce a certificate of Moral and Religious character from the Minister of the Congregation to which he belongs.

A certain number of Bursaries will be awarded at the commencement of the session. The Bursaries for Students of the first year will be conferred on those who display the greatest proficiency in the subjects of examination for Matriculation, together with the first book of *Euclid*. For Students of previous years the subjects of examination for Scholarships will be the studies of former sessions.

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This department is under the superintendence of the Professors. The course of instruction is conducted so as to prepare the pupils for entering with advantage the Classes of the College.

By order of the Senatus Academicus.

GEORGE WEIR, A. M.,  
Secretary to the Senatus.

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