

## LOVED AND LOST AWHILE.

Give me the friends of my childhood again,  
 Call back the forms of the loved ones of yore;  
 I am so weary with watching in vain,  
 Waiting for friends that return nevermore.  
 Many are sleeping beneath the dark waters that  
 lie in the depths of the fathomless sea:  
 Many are hidden in green sunny meadow or far-  
 away forest and come not to me.

Friendships surround me, yet sadly I roam:  
 Fame sings my praises, yet heedless I hear;  
 Memory still clings to my childhood's old home,  
 Silent, forsaken, this many a year.  
 Green are the graves of the loved ones that gathered  
 and played round its portals in innocent glee;  
 Long have I waited, alone and sad-hearted; the  
 friends of my childhood come never to me.

Home of the past, I shall see it no more—  
 Scenes of the past, they are fading from view—  
 Songs of the past, they grow fainter and far—  
 Friends of the past, I am coming to you.  
 Far down the river that floats on forever they  
 rest on the shores of an echoless sea,  
 And though the mists cover, I know that just over  
 the friends of my childhood are waiting for me.

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EARLY DAYS OF UPPER CANADA  
COLLEGE.

## THE FOUNDING OF THE COLLEGE.

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While preparations for building were being made, the work of selecting masters for the new college had progressed. Mr. J. P. de la Haye, who had been appointed French Master, was the first to arrive, and was introduced by Sir John Colborne to the Board, at a meeting held in September. The Governor announced that the three English gentlemen, appointed as a committee for the purpose of electing a Principal and several masters for the new school, had secured competent men for these positions, who would arrive in Canada about November: it was necessary, he said, to endeavor to have the school opened very shortly after their arrival, and to hasten the preparations in order to bring that about.

The District School-house had now been moved, repainted and fitted up to accommodate the pupils

of the new College until their own building was erected. On the 17th December, the following announcement appeared in the *Upper Canada Gazette*:—

“Upper Canada College established at York. Visitor, the Lieutenant-Governor, for the time being. This college will open after the approaching Christmas vacation, on Monday, the 8th of January, 1830, under the conduct of the masters appointed at Oxford by the Vice-Chancellor and other electors in July last. Principal, the Rev. J. H. Harris, D. D., late Fellow of Clare Hall, Cambridge; Classical Department, Vice-Principal, the Rev. T. Phillips, D. D., of Queen's College, Cambridge; First Classical Master, the Rev. Chas. Matthews, M. A., of Pembroke Hall, Cambridge; Second Classical Master, the Rev. W. Boulton, B. A., of Queen's College, Oxford; Mathematical Department, the Rev. Charles Dade, M. A., Fellow of Caius College, Cambridge, and late Mathematical Master at Elizabeth College; French, Mr. J. P. de la Haye; English, Writing and Arithmetic, Mr. G. A. Barber, and Mr. J. Fadfield; Drawing, Mr. Drury. (Then follow the terms, etc.) Signed, G. H. Markland, Secretary to the Board of Education, York, Upper Canada, December 2, 1829.”

But it was soon seen that the contractor for the new College had undertaken a work he could not accomplish, and it was taken out of his hands and finished under the supervision of officials appointed by the Governor.

Meanwhile the College classes were carried on in the old District School until 1831, when the entire staff and pupils were moved into the building on King Street west.

A slight description of the old Blue School might not be amiss, and as it was so closely identified with Upper Canada College it is, perhaps, only proper to give one.

The old school, which was raised in 1816, originally occupied a site near the south-west corner of the school-square, a hundred odd feet north of Adelaide (then Newgate) Street, and the same distance from Church Street, being in fact directly east and north of where the present Public Library building now stands. In shape it was a parallelogram, nearly seventy feet deep, and with a frontage of forty feet. It was a two-storeyed building, the entrance being on the western side. The boards which covered the