

and upheld the long standing reputation of our school. A great deal has been done to render this examination as interesting, and even more so, than the many that have gone before. The principal prize is the Douglas Silver Medal, but for this there are only two competitors—F. McInnes and G. Allen. A prize for the best English Essay was then offered by Jas. Tibbetts, Jr. The subject decided upon is *Formation of Character*. We know of four boys who are writing the essay, but whether any of the girls are writing it or not we cannot tell. The essays are to be read on the day of Examination. At former Examinations there has been a Mathematical Prize given by the University, but we do not know whether it will be offered this time or not. The only thing that seems amiss is the great number of good conduct prizes. This is a very unusual occurrence and, we think, altogether out of place in a professedly Classical School. At the Christmas Examination, His Excellency the Lieut. Governor offered a prize for the best behaved pupil in the School; and Mr. Fenety, led away no doubt by the enthusiasm of the moment, followed his example. Two good conduct prizes—one for the boys and one for the girls—were sent out by Mr. Parkin, our former teacher, who is now in England and whom we hope soon to welcome home amongst us. Those who offered the prizes were no doubt interested in the welfare of the school, and desired to promote good behavior among the pupils; but still we think that had the prizes been offered for classics they would have caused more general satisfaction, for we think that our pupils, under the present teachers, can get along very well as far as good behaviour is concerned without such stimulants as these. Besides this the teacher is placed in no enviable or pleasant position when he has to decide what one out of so many orderly and well-conducted pupils is most deserving of the prize.

A prize has been offered for the best reader by ex-Governor Wilmot. At first it was intended that the competition should take place on the day of examination; but this would take up too much time. Mr. Wilmot, therefore, has left it to Mr. Creed and Mr. Raud to decide beforehand who is entitled to the prize. The following are the names of those who competed:

GIRLS.	BOYS.
Miss Gregory,	B. Jack,
L. Symonds,	D. Hazen,
E. Symonds,	H. Fowler,
Tippet,	G. Devitt,
Tucker,	H. Jones,
Fisher,	J. Hoyt,
Hunt,	W. Leonard,
Miller,	A. Stratton,
Currie,	W. McInnes.
Perley,	
Temple,	
Lawson.	

We hope, contrary to expectation, that this prize will be carried off by one of the boys.

We regret to hear that our present teachers, Mr. Bridges and Mr. Gaunce, are about to leave us, and we are sure that they will do so accompanied by the best wishes and saddest regrets of every pupil of the Collegiate School. We hope that where they next go, they will gain as much esteem as they have gained among us, and that they will never have occasion to look back with regret upon the time, short though it may be, that they have spent in the Collegiate School.

JUST as we go to press we learn that a Mathematical prize will be offered by the University; but there are only two competitors, F. McInnes and G. Allen. We have also been informed that the prizes—the Medal excepted—will be given in the City Hall, where all the schools will be assembled at 3 o'clock, p. m.

The following is the result of the Examinations for the Medal:

	Allen.	McInnes.
Average for year.....	797	751
Final Exam. {	Latin Grammar.....	830
	Cicero.....	740
	Greek Grammar.....	810
	Homer and Xenophon.....	830
	3987	3921
Average.....	797	784

ANTIQUARIAN RESEARCHES.

BY Y. X. Z.—(CONCLUDED.)

In a former article we have endeavored to show that America, previous to the time of Columbus, was known and inhabited by Egyptians. We will now turn to the Greeks. In the month of Dec. 1827, a planter discovered in a field near Monte Video, Brazil, a sort of tomb-stone, upon which strange, and, to him, unknown characters, were engraved. In the tomb beneath he found two exceedingly ancient swords, a helmet and shield, which had suffered much from rust; also an earthen vessel of large capacity. Greek words were easily made out upon them, which, when translated, read as follows. "During the dominion of Alexander, the son of Philip, King of Macedon; in the sixty-third Olympiad, Ptolemais."

On the handle of one of the swords is the portrait of a man, supposed to be Alexander the Great. On the helmet there is sculptured work, representing Achilles dragging the corpse of Hector round the walls of Troy. This proves that Brazil was visited by Greeks about the time of Alexander. A piece of silver was found on the flats of the Genesee river, about 3 inches long, on which was engraved in Arabic figures the year of our Lord 600. On the head waters of the Red River is a