

deaf and dumb department, conducted by Mr. McGann. On the entrance of the party a young girl about 13 years of age named Margaret Smith, on being called forward, inscribed the following on the black-board. We welcome the Governor General to Toronto, and to our school. We are happy to see the ladies and gentlemen come and see the deaf and dumb." A young lad named Norman Lewis, who is about five years of age, was then called forward, and passed some very severe tests both in arithmetic and grammar in the most satisfactory manner. A great deal of credit is justly due to Mr. McGann for the improvement exhibited in his pupils. Lord Monck was very much pleased with his visit to the school, and said it afforded him great pleasure to come and visit the institution, especially so as he could vouch for the advancement of the pupils.

From the deaf and dumb department the party proceeded to that occupied by the blind, where two little girls went through some very astonishing reading exercises. Lady Monck in the most flattering terms complimented the teachers of this, as well as the deaf and dumb department of the institution, for the efficient manner in which they had performed the arduous duties devolving upon them. The party again took their carriages and proceeded down Queen Street to the College Avenue, and up the College Avenue and Queen's Park to the

UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO.

At the entrance of this noble building His Excellency and *suite* were received by the Vice-Chancellor of the University and the professors of the College, in their academical gowns, and escorted to the Convocation Hall, which was crowded with students and citizens. The party were escorted to the platform at the north end of the hall. Among those on the platform were Hon. James Patton, D.C.L., Vice-Chancellor, Dr. McCaul, President of University College, His Worship the Mayor, Rev. Dr. Ryerson, Dr. King, President of the Columbia College, N. Y., Rev. Dr. Willis, Professors Croft, Wilson, Hincks, Forneri, Buckland, Kingston, the Rev. Mr. Lorimer, Librarian, and Mr. Thomas Moss, the Registrar. On His Excellency being seated, the Vice-Chancellor advanced and read the following address:—

"MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY.—We, the Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor, Senate, and Graduates of the University of Toronto, and the President, Council, and Members of the University College, cordially welcome your Excellency on your visit to the buildings in our joint occupation, and gladly avail ourselves of the occasion to declare our loyalty to the Queen and to testify our respect for your Excellency. The object of our institutions is to diffuse amongst the youth of Canada, without distinction, the benefits of education of a high order, and we doubt not that this important work, intimately connected as it is with the advancement of the best interests of the country, will receive your Excellency's approval and support. As our establishments are under your Excellency's visitatorial supervision, we are persuaded that you will learn with pleasure that strong practical testimony to the estimation in which they are held as Provincial Institutions, is furnished by the constantly increasing number of students of different religious denominations, and from various parts of the country. We earnestly pray that the Divine blessing may attend your Excellency, Lady Monck and family, and that your administration of the Government of Canada may be alike acceptable to Her Majesty, satisfactory to yourself, and beneficial to the people committed to your charge."

His Excellency replied as follows:

"To the Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor, Senate and Graduates of the University of Toronto, and the President, Council and Members of University College:

GENTLEMEN,—I am much gratified by your loyal address. You judged rightly in supposing that I should be glad to hear that the number of young men of different religious denominations studying here is constantly increasing. The value set upon a good education may be fairly taken as a test of the moral and social condition of a nation. I am happy to think that the benefits resulting from it are duly appreciated in Canada, and the knowledge that they are so gives me solid ground for the expectation that the moral and intellectual condition of the people will keep pace with their advancement in material prosperity." After this the visitors were conducted through the interior of the building to the museum, and from thence to the tower, where they remained about fifteen minutes, enjoying the splendid view obtained from that altitude. When they descended from the tower they visited the library, and after a thorough inspection of the building they again took to their carriages, amid the cheers of the students and a large number of bystanders. They proceeded down the Queen's Park and College Avenue to Yonge street, and from thence to the

NORMAL SCHOOL AND EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT,

where His Excellency was received with a general salute by the Civil Service corps, under the command of Captain the Hon. R.

Spence and by the Model Grammar School Cadets, under command of Capt. Robertson. The latter company acted as the interior guard. On His Excellency and *suite* entering the theatre, the pupils sang "God Save the Queen." The theatre and the halls leading thereto were crowded to excess with visitors. As soon as His Excellency was seated on the stage, in the south end of the theatre the Hon. S. B. Harrison, Chairman of the Council of Public Instruction, read the following address:—

"MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

"We, the Council of Public Instruction for Upper Canada, beg, in behalf of the teachers and youth committed to our oversight, and in unison with our fellow-subjects of all classes, to welcome Your Excellency to the western metropolis of Canada. As the Representative of our beloved Sovereign, and the avowed promoter of general education and knowledge, we hail your Excellency's visit to this, the seat of our operations, as a fresh encouragement to us in the arduous work in which we have long been engaged, for the establishment of a system for the training of teachers, for the regulation of schools, for furnishing them with text-books, maps and apparatus, and for providing the municipalities of Upper Canada with libraries. In the progress of this system, the schools have increased to four thousand, and the pupils to upward of three hundred thousand. In the songs and text-books, loyalty to the Queen and love to the mother country are blended with the spirit of Canadian patriotism; and Christian principles are combined with sound knowledge in the school teaching and public libraries. Our earnest prayer is that the Divine blessing may abundantly rest upon Your Excellency and Lady Monck and family, and that your administration of the Government of Canada may tend pre-eminently to consolidate its institutions, and advance the happiness and prosperity of the Canadian people."

His Excellency replied as follows:

"To the Council of Public Instruction for Upper Canada:—

GENTLEMEN,—I have been very much gratified at hearing the satisfactory account that you are able to give of the progress of education in this part of the country, proved, as it is, by the increasing number of schools and pupils. In all parts of Canada the state of education is satisfactory as compared with that in Great Britain and Ireland, and amongst the many advantages which immigrants into this country enjoy, not the least is the certainty that their children may, if they wish it, be well and carefully brought up at a trifling expense. The efficacy of the instruction imparted to young people, depends in a great measure on the capacity and training of their teachers, so that it is impossible to over-estimate the importance of the labour in which you are engaged. The name of your superintendent, which is well known to me, is a guarantee that neither exertion nor ability will be wanting on your part to fulfil your mission."

After which the pupils sang "Hurrah, hurrah, for Canada." His Excellency and *suite* then visited the various objects of interest to be found in the establishment—the picture gallery, statuary rooms, &c. Previous to leaving, His Excellency had the Model Grammar School cadets brought before him, and expressed to the Chief Superintendent and to them his very great pleasure at their appearance. He further stated that he was agreeably surprised to find that such a corps was organized from among the pupils of the Model Grammar School. He had already, in another place, recommended the establishment of cadet corps in connection with the public schools as in England, and was therefore the more pleased to find that here in this institution his recommendation had already been anticipated. The party then proceeded to the Horticultural Gardens, where they were again received with a general salute by the Civil Service corps.

OSGOODE HALL.

On the morning of the third day of his stay, His Excellency the Governor General, accompanied by Lord Muirgrave and the gentlemen of his *suite*, visited Osgoode Hall, where they were received by the benchers and members of the Law Society, and a large number of citizens, in the most enthusiastic manner. Lady Monck and the other ladies of the party arrived soon after in carriages. Cheers for the Queen, His Excellency and Lady Monck, were given in a very hearty manner. After His Excellency and *suite* had visited the various apartments in the Hall, they were escorted to the Convocation Hall, where the Benchers of the Law Society were sitting—awaiting the appearance of His Excellency, upon whom they proposed conferring the honorary degree of barrister-at-law. From the Convocation Hall he was escorted into an adjoining room and robed in "hat and gown," after which he again entered the Convocation Hall, and, after answering a few questions which were propounded by the treasurer of the Law Society, Hon. J. H. Cameron, he was duly installed an honorary barrister-at-law. The party then proceeded up Queen street to