

in which it was. Cornell was a very poor man, realized a munificent fortune, and spent it in raising a munificent institution. The education at Cornell is of a practical character, and he questioned whether they would ever hear within its walls Greek Iambics so correctly recited as they had heard here to-day; still he hoped to see mingled with the study of the natural science there some attention to the higher classics. There were two points of sympathy between the University of Cornell and that of Toronto—first, our aim is to ramify education through all the strata of society; and, secondly, we are undenominational. He could respect the feelings of the man who thought education and religion should go together, and he regarded the Chapel and the College as a beautiful union; still it was a fact that the religion was now divided, and it was impossible to split the world up in an educational aspect, into as many sections as there were religious beliefs, for then the great laws which tended towards the universal spread of education would be marred in their operation, and their work lost by the multiplicity of agencies. He did not by any means ignore religion; but it should be left to the Church to provide religious teaching for her children. He was proud of his connection with Cornell. He was indebted in every way to the Anglo-Saxon, and on this account he trusted to further the interests of Cornell. But the other day he thought his position somewhat precarious. He was afraid he would have to cross the lines and take refuge in Canada. But he was glad to see that thunderstorm was passing rapidly away without doing any harm, except, perhaps, sousing a little all. Sumner had quoted his (the Professor's) remarks to substantiate his denunciations of England; but he alone took up the cause of England, stated her cause, and for this had received a pretty full amount of abuse, and especially from the press; but as he was here under the safe protection of the British flag, he might say that the American press is not universally celebrated for its intelligence; and one of the papers that had been particularly fierce in its denunciations of him, had the day before had a brilliant article bearing on the hat and boots of a rival editor. He sincerely hoped the storm would blow over, and the more he saw of the American people, the more he was convinced of their readiness to meet every other people in a fair and honourable spirit. All he feared was the extreme virtue of some of the politicians. It was possible that they might do something too disinterested and sublime. He was afraid of this, for *hasty progress in that direction would lead to consequences.* (Laughter). We—the English—were ready to repair any wrong we might have committed; and if we had done any injury to any other people, let that people come in a proper spirit, and we would at once acknowledge it. We are ready to do that, but we are not by any means ready to allow anyone to have the honour of trampling our flag under foot. (Loud and prolonged cheers). Englishmen were by no means too tenacious of their purse, but they were very tenacious of their character; their money might be wrested from them, but no one would take from her her honour with impunity. That is the line the Americans must take care to discriminate. Let them over-slip that and serious consequences will ensue. (Loud cheers). Our Government had shown real desire to repair any wrong done, and to sooth the wounded feelings of the American people, therefore he thought this cloud is nearly completely dispelled and the storm passed away. Social and commercial intercourse were the great cords which must ever bind nation to nation, and these intertwined with intelligence and religious sentiments, and feelings of common brotherhood, must ever prevent any serious breach between the people of the United States and the people of England. Again he thanked them for the honour they had done him in speaking of kindred institutions. (Loud and prolonged cheering). Mr. J. A. Boyd, 2nd Vice-Chairman, had the pleasure of giving "The Honourmen of the year." Mr. T. Langton, B.A., could only say a few words in response to the toast. He felt that the College course of the Honourmen of the year would always be a bright spot in their history, and they would all feel duly proud of the honour done to them by the reception of the toast. Mr. M. Cumming, B.A., felt confident that he but gave vent to the feelings of all the Honourmen when he said, he felt proud of the manner

in which the toast had been received. J. M. Gibson, L.M.B., could only re-echo the sentiments so ably expressed by the Honourmen who had preceded him. Mr. Bigger, B.A., represented a class of men who had found their expectations more than realized by what they had experienced at the University, though local predilections at first led them to seek knowledge elsewhere. He hoped and believed that the Honourmen of 1869, would never bring discredit upon the badges of honour which had been conferred upon them. The first Vice-Chairman next proposed "The University Rifle Corps," and in so doing, eloquently referred to the gallant conduct of that body during the trouble of 1866. Lieut. Ellis responded. The 2nd Vice-Chairman next proposed, "The Literary and Scientific Society." Mr. W. H. Ellis, M.A., responded. The Chairman next offered the Professors and ex-Professors of the University, to whom he paid a handsome compliment in a brief speech. Dr. Wilson said it was always a source of pleasure to him to join in the annual gathering of the University, though it was a somewhat monotonous task to respond year after year to the same toast. He suggested a reform in this respect, so that they would not have to listen year after year to the same old Professors, but might call upon the younger men who were reaping the honours of the present and looking forward to those of the future. He would like to hear from their honoured guest from Cornell College in reply to the toasts of the ex-Professors. (Applause). Associated as he was with other institutions of this kind, it was with peculiar pleasure that he joined in such a gathering which awoke memories of kindred institutions in the Mother Land, and he felt that he was looking upon young men fitted for the duties and labours attending the possession of education, who would do no discredit to the educational traditions of the old land. (Loud applause). While acknowledging the merits of the people of the neighbouring Republic, who sprang from the same good old stock as ourselves, he still felt that this Dominion of Canada was destined to occupy a very prominent place in the annals of this continent. (Applause). Dr. Richardson, on behalf of the ex-Professors, returned sincere thanks for the manner in which the toast had been received. Prof. Pernet was loudly called for, and responded with a song, which was enthusiastically applauded. Mr. Moss, M.A., first Vice-President, then gave "Our Graduates and under-Graduates." Mr. T. W. Taylor appeared before them as a graduate of the Edinburgh University, and also as graduate of the Toronto University. He tendered his sincere thanks for the manner in which the toast had been received. The first Vice-President then proposed the "Press," which was responded to by the representatives of the *Globe* and *Tribune*. The health of the ladies having been received with due honours, the gathering dispersed.—*Globe*.

—EDUCATIONAL PROCEEDINGS, WESLEYAN CONFERENCE.—From the proceedings of the Conference we extract the following educational item:—*Victoria College*.—Rev. Richard Jones, Co-Treasurer, submitted a general statement of the position and operations of the College for the past year, when William Kerr, Esq., the Bursar, submitted the financial sheet. Receipts from all sources during the year, including a loan of \$1,000, are \$8,350; the payments have been \$10,409, leaving a balance due the Treasurer of \$2,059. The assets of the College are \$44,008; while the total liabilities are only \$5,159. The total number of students in all the departments is 440. Several questions were asked, and satisfactory answers were given, when the College report was unanimously adopted. Rev. Dr. Nelles moved, and Rev. Dr. Rice seconded, a resolution, asking the annual meeting to recommend the College Board to appoint a suitable agent to co-operate with the President of Conference and Treasurers in raising the Endowment Fund. Dr. Rice very forcibly urged the necessity of enlisting such an agency as would, within the next five or six months, be able to overtake the work, so that the canvass could be made as promptly as possible. Several ministers took part in the discussion of College matters; all of whom expressed the confident hope and trust that the sum of \$110,000, at least, would be speedily raised for the Endowment Fund. The amount of \$53,000 has already been contributed. The College report was unanimously adopted. Rev. Dr. Nelles moved, and Rev. R. Jones seconded, that the following persons be appointed Trustees of the College in the room of the retiring