

increases, the bill proposes to divide among the different educational institutions in Upper Canada, without regard to denominational or sectarian considerations, but according to the numbers they may respectively educate, and who may take degrees in the University. For instance, if a £100 be given for each person who takes a degree, and one institution educates in one year ten young men, who take their degrees, that college or school will be entitled to receive the sum of £1000 and so on, more or less. This, in my opinion, will create a most wholesome rivalry among the educational institutions of the Province—and the greater the number of young men any college or school educates who shall take degrees, the higher will be the character of the institution, and the greater will be the extent it will share in the public endowment. In this way no favour or affection is shown—but every one is placed upon a fair and equal footing. The prizes are open for competition to all.

Permit me to call particular attention to the preamble of the bill, and to the 11th, 12th, 17th, 18th, 19th, 20th, 21st, 22d, 23d, 25th, 26th, 27th, 28th, 29th, 33d, 34th, and 36th sections. Like the London University, I propose, as I have already said, that this shall be solely a body for the purpose of ascertaining, by means of examination, the persons who have acquired proficiency in literature, science and art, by the pursuit of such a course of education as the bill contemplates, and of rewarding them by academical degrees, as evidence of their respective attainments and marks of honour proportioned thereto; and not a body as at present, for erecting additional buildings, as the present one will answer all the purposes required. In this manner also the objection to its Godless character, which is a formidable one indeed, is got rid of—and, like the London University, the bill requires that it shall dictate the course of study to be pursued, and that it shall publish, in an intelligible form, from time to time, the nature, extent, and description of examinations which the respective applicants for degrees or certificates of proficiency will have to undergo. The financial affairs, both of the University and of Upper Canada College, I propose shall continue under the able management of the present Endowment Board, according to the provisions of the new act now in force, and under which it was appointed.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant,
HENRY SHERWOOD.

THE UNIVERSITY BILL.

PROPOSED BY THE HON. HENRY SHERWOOD.

As Act to amend the Charter of the University of Toronto. Whereas the enactments hereinafter repealed or amended, originated in the earnest desire of the Legislature, by so constituting the University therein mentioned, as to afford to all denominations and classes of Her Majesty's subjects, without distinction, the means of obtaining a liberal education therein, but they have failed to effect the end intended, inasmuch as no college or educational institution has under them become, as desired, any desire to become, affiliated to the said University, and many parents and others are deterred by the expense and other causes from sending their youth under their charge and care to reside in a large and distant city, or, from conscientious scruples, object to allow them to be educated in any Institution where they cannot receive religious instruction from teachers of their own faith; and whereas, many persons do and will therefore prosecute and complete their studies in other institutions in divers parts of this Province, to whom it is expedient to afford such facilities, and on whom it is just to confer such distinctions and rewards as may incline them to persevere in these their laudable pursuits; and experience has shown that the principles embodied in Her Majesty's Royal Charter to the University of London, in England, are well adapted to remove the difficulties and to promote the attainment of the objects aforesaid: Be it therefore enacted, &c.: And it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, that—

I. The 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th, 16th, 17th, 18th, 19th, 20th, 24th, 25th, 26th, 27th, 28th and 43rd sections of the Act passed in the 12th year of Her Majesty's reign, and intitled, "An Act," &c. (12 Vict. c. 82.)—and the 1st, 3rd, 4th and 5th sections of the Act passed in the Session held in the 13th and 14th years of Her Majesty's reign, intitled, "An Act," &c. (13 and 14 Vict. c. 49.)—and so much of any other part of either of the said Acts or of the Charter referred to in the Act first mentioned, as may be inconsistent with this Act, shall be repealed; and so much of the said Charter as shall not be inconsistent with this Act, or with those provisions of the said Acts which are not hereby repealed, shall remain in force, and if repealed by the Act first mentioned, shall be revived.

II. The University established by the said Charter and mentioned in the said Acts, shall henceforth be called "The University of Toronto," and shall continue to be a body corporate, with such powers and privileges as are conferred upon it by those portions of the said Charter and Acts which remain in force after the passing of this Act, or by this Act; and neither such change of name nor anything in this Act shall be constituted to make the said University a new corporation, or to cause any action, suit or proceeding, in law or in equity, to which the said University may be a party, to abate cease or be discontinued, but the same may be continued, upon the suggestion of the passing of this Act, by, against or with regard to the said University, by the corporate name hereby assigned to it.

III. Whenever in those portions of either of the said Acts or of the said Charter, which will be in force after the passing of this Act, the University or Corporation of "The Chancellor, Masters and Scholars of the University of Toronto," or of "King's College," is mentioned or referred to, "The University of Toronto" shall hereafter be understood to be intended; and whenever the Caput of the University is mentioned the word "Officers," whenever it occurs in the same, shall include any Examiners or other Officers to be appointed under this Act: but there shall be no Professorship or other Teachership in the said University; and the mention of any Officer or Office in the said University, unless the Senate shall see fit.

IV. The 46th, 47th, and 48th sections of the Act first mentioned shall have no effect after the passing of this Act, except as to things done under them before that time and not inconsistent with this Act. V. The said University and Corporation, by the name herein assigned to it, shall hereafter consist of one Chancellor, one Vice-Chancellor, (who shall be a learned officer,) and such number of Fellows as the Governor of this Province shall from time to time appoint under his hand and seal at arms, and as shall be appointed by the Senate under the power hereinafter contained.

VI. The Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor, and Fellows for the time being, shall constitute the Senate of the said University; and the first Chancellor and Vice-Chancellor, shall be appointed by the Governor in the manner aforesaid: but no Minister, Ecclesiastic or Religious Teacher, or any denomination or persuasion shall be appointed Chancellor at any time.

VII. Whenever a vacancy shall occur in the office of Chancellor of the said University, either by death, resignation or otherwise, the Governor may, in the manner aforesaid, nominate a fit and proper person to be Chancellor instead of the Chancellor occasioning such vacancy.

VIII. The office of Vice-Chancellor of the said University, shall, whenever any vacancy shall occur after the first appointment to the said office, be an annual one; and the members of the Senate shall, at a meeting to be held by them for that on some day within fifteen days after such vacancy shall be known to them, and of which due notice shall be given, elect some one of the Fellows of the said University to be Vice-Chancellor, and to hold his office for one year from the time of his election; and the members of the Senate shall, at a meeting to be held for that purpose on some day within a month before the expiration of the tenure of the said office, of which meeting due notice shall be given, elect some one of the Fellows of the said University to be Vice-Chancellor, and so from time to time annually; or, in case of the death, resignation, or other avoidance of any such Vice-Chancellor after the first, before the expiration of his year of office, shall, at a meeting to be held by them for that purpose, as soon as conveniently may be, of which due notice shall be given, elect one other of the said Fellows to be Vice-Chancellor for the remainder of the year in which such death, resignation, or avoidance shall happen.

IX. If at any time, by death or otherwise the number of the said Fellows shall be reduced below the number of , exclusive of the Chancellor and Vice-Chancellor for the time being, then and in such case, and as often as the same shall happen, the members of the Senate shall, as soon as conveniently may be, at a meeting to be held for that purpose, of which due notice shall be given, elect or more fit and proper persons to be Fellows in addition to the then remaining Fellows, to the end that by means of such election the number of Fellows of the said University may be completed, exclusive of the Chancellor and Vice-Chancellor of the said University; but no person shall be appointed or elected a Fellow who shall not be a subject of Her Majesty.

X. The Governor of this Province shall be (as heretofore) the Visitor of the said University on behalf of Her Majesty, with the powers vested in him as such Visitor by the Act first mentioned.

XI. The Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor and Fellows for the time being shall (subject to the provisions of the said Act relative to the Endowment Board and the duties assigned to it, and to the other unrepealed provisions of the said Act, and to those of this Act relative to the income and property of the said University), have the entire management of and superintendence over the affairs, concerns and property thereof; and in all cases unprovided for by this Act or by any unrepealed enactment of the said Acts, it shall be lawful for the Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor and Fellows to pass such statutes and to act in such manner as to them shall appear best calculated to promote the purposes of the said University; and the said Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor and Fellows shall have full power from time to time to make and alter any statutes and regulations, so as the same be not repugnant to the laws of Upper Canada, or to the general objects and provisions of this Act, or to the unrepealed enactments of the Acts aforesaid, touching the examination for Degrees, or for Certificates of proficiency, and the granting of the same, and touching the mode and time of convening the meetings of the Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor and Fellows, and in general touching all other matters whatsoever regarding the said University or the property thereof; and all such statutes and regulations when reduced into writing, and after the Common Seal of the said University shall have been affixed thereto, shall be binding upon all persons being Members or Officers thereof, and all candidates for Degrees or Certificates of proficiency to be conferred by the said University, a certified copy of such statutes and regulations being deposited with the Provincial Secretary within ten days after the passing thereof, to be laid before the Visitor of the said University, who may at any time within two years after the same shall have been left with the said Secretary, disallow the same, and any By-law or regulation so disallowed shall be null and void from the time when the disallowance thereof shall be signified to the said University.

XII. In addition to the power of conferring Degrees in Arts and Faculties vested in the said University, the said Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor and Fellows shall have power, after examination, to grant Certificates of proficiency in such branches of knowledge as they shall from time to time, by regulations to be made in that behalf, determine.

XIII. All questions which shall come before the Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor and Fellows, shall be decided by the majority of the members present; and the chairman at any such meeting shall have a vote, and in case of equality of votes, a second or casting vote.

XIV. No question shall be decided at any meeting unless the Chancellor or Vice-Chancellor, and five Fellows, or, in the absence of the Chancellor and Vice-Chancellor, unless six Fellows, at least, shall be present at the time of such decision.

XV. At every meeting of the Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor and Fellows, the Chancellor, or, in his absence, the Vice-Chancellor, shall preside as Chairman, or, in the absence of both, a Chairman shall be chosen by the members present or the major part of them.

XVI. The said Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor and Fellows for the time being shall have full power from time to time and as they shall see occasion, to remove all Examiners, Officers, and Servants of the said University.

XVII. Once at least in every year, the said Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor and Fellows shall cause to be held an examination of the Candidates for Matriculation and for Degrees or for Certificates of proficiency as aforesaid; and at every such examination the Candidates shall be examined by Examiners appointed for the purpose from among the Fellows, by the said Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor and Fellows, or by other Examiners so to be appointed; and at every such examination the Candidates shall be examined in as many branches of general knowledge as the Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor and Fellows shall consider the most fitting subjects of such examination.

XVIII. And in order to extend the benefits of Colleges and Establishments already instituted in this Province for the promotion of literature, science and art, whether incorporated or not incorporated, by connecting them for such purposes with the said University,—all persons shall be admitted as candidates for the respective Degrees of Bachelor of Arts, Master of Arts, Bachelor of Laws or Doctor of Laws, to be conferred by the said University of Toronto, on satisfying the Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor and Fellows that such persons have in any of the Institutions hereinafter mentioned, completed such course of instruction as the said Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor and Fellows shall, as to the said respective Institutions, by regulations to be made as aforesaid, from time to time, determine; and the Institutions in which such course of instruction may be completed shall be those hereinafter mentioned, that is to say:

All Universities and Colleges in Upper or Lower Canada, or in any other part of Her Majesty's dominions, empowered to grant Degrees in the Arts and Faculties.

Upper Canada College, and all other incorporated Colleges in Upper Canada.

All Colleges and Educational Institutions in connection with the University of London, in England, and also such other Institutions, corporate or unincorporated, as now are or shall hereafter be established for the purposes of education, within this Province, or elsewhere within Her Majesty's Dominions, as the Governor of this Province shall from time to time prescribe to the said Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor and Fellows, under his Hand and Seal at Arms.

XIX. And for the purpose of granting the Degrees of Bachelor of Medicine and Doctor of Medicine, and for the improvement of Medical education in all its branches, as well in Medicine as in Surgery, Midwifery and Pharmacy,—the said Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor and Fellows shall from time to time report to the Governor of this Province through the Provincial Secretary, what appear to them to be the Medical Institutions and Schools, whether corporate or incorporated, in this Province, from which, either singly or jointly with other Medical Institutions and Schools in this Province or in other parts of Her Majesty's Dominions, or in Foreign parts, it may be fit and expedient, in the judgment of the said Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor and Fellows, to admit Candidates for the Medical Degrees, and on approval of such Report by the Governor, shall admit all persons as Candidates for the respective Degrees of Bachelor of Medicine and Doctor of Medicine to be conferred by the said University, on satisfying the said Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor and Fellows that such Candidate has therein completed the course of instruction which they shall by regulations in that behalf determine; and it shall be lawful for the said Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor and Fellows from time to time, with the approval of the Governor, to vary, alter and amend any such Reports, by striking out any of the said Institutions or Schools included therein, or by adding others thereto.

XX. The said Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor, and Fellows, shall have power after examination to confer the several Degrees of Bachelor of Arts, Master of Arts, Bachelor of Laws, Doctor of Laws, Bachelor of Medicine and Doctor of Medicine, and to examine for Medical Degrees in the four branches of Medicine, Surgery, Midwifery, and Pharmacy; and such reasonable fees shall be charged to the candidates for Degrees or Certificates of proficiency as aforesaid, as the Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor and Fellows shall by Regulations or By-laws in that behalf from time to time determine.

XXI. At the conclusion of every Examination of Candidates for Degrees, the Examiners shall declare the name of every candidate whom they shall deem to be entitled to any of the said Degrees, and the departments of knowledge in which his efficiency shall have been evinced, and also his proficiency in relation to other candidates; and he shall receive from the Chancellor a certificate under the seal of the University, and signed by the Chancellor, in which the particulars so declared shall be stated.

XXII. At the conclusion of every Examination of Candidates for Certificates of proficiency, as aforesaid, the Examiners shall, under such regulations as shall be made by the Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor and Fellows, in that behalf, classify such Candidates according to their degree of proficiency, and declare such relative proficiency either by certificate to be granted to them respectively, under the Seal of the University, or in and by published lists of the Candidates to whom such Certificates shall have been granted.

XXIII. The regulations to be made with respect to the literary and scientific attainments of persons obtaining Degrees or Certificates of proficiency, and their examination shall, in so far as circumstances will, in the opinion of the Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor, and Fellows, permit, be similar to those in force for like purposes in the University of London, to the end that the standard of qualification in the University of Toronto may not be inferior to that adopted for a like Degree, Certificate, or Honour in the University of London.

XXIV. The Examiners may be required to take the following oath of office before the Chancellor or Vice-Chancellor:—"I swear that I will perform my duty of Examiner without fear, favour, affection, or partiality towards any Candidate, and that I will not knowingly allow to any Candidate any advantage which is not equally allowed to all. So help me God."

XXV. The present Statutes of the said University shall continue in force, in so far as they shall not be repugnant to or inconsistent with this Act, until they shall be repealed or altered in the manner hereby provided, by the Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor and Fellows, whose duty it shall be, so soon as conveniently may be after the passing of this Act, to revive all the Statutes and Regulations of the said University, so as to make them harmonize with the provisions of this Act.

XXVI. The said Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor, and Fellows may make such special regulations as to them shall seem just, with regard to the examination of Students who have matriculated in the said University before the passing of this Act, and with regard to the completion by them of the prescribed course of instruction, but in so far only as relates to the first Degree to be taken by any such Student after the passing of this Act, after which they shall be subject to the same regulations as other Candidates.

XXVII. The said Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor and Fellows, may grant one Degree in Divinity to any person who without this Act would, under the Act first mentioned, have been entitled to obtain such Degrees, and may make such regulations as to them may seem just, with regard to the examination of such persons and the conditions upon which such Degrees shall be obtained; but no other Degree in Divinity shall be conferred by the said University.

XXVIII. Until it shall be otherwise ordered by the said Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor, and Fellows, the pre-

sent Professors and Lecturers of the said University shall, upon the passing of this Act, and by virtue thereof, be respectively examiners in the same branches of knowledge in which they are now such Professors and Lecturers, and with the same salaries as they now enjoy, and the other Officers and Servants of the said University shall in like manner continue to hold their offices, salaries and emoluments until it be otherwise ordered as aforesaid.

XXIX. The said Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor and Fellows may authorize and require any of the Examiners to give instruction and lectures to the Students now matriculated in the said University, during such time as may, in the opinion of the said Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor, and Fellows, be requisite to afford to such Students a fair opportunity of taking one degree after the passing of this Act; but no such Examiner being now a Professor or Lecturer in the said University, shall receive for such instruction or lectures any allowance beyond his present salary.

XXX. The said Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor, and Fellows shall regulate the expenses of the said University, with as strict a regard to economy as may be consistent with its thorough efficiency, and shall endeavour so to fix the salaries and allowances of the Examiners and Officers hereafter to be appointed, as that the same be respectively fairly proportioned to the extent and importance of the duties assigned to them; and all such salaries and allowances shall be fixed by Statute, and no sum exceeding £100 currency, shall be expended or the expenditure thereof authorized, except by Statute.

XXXI. The said Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor and Fellows may grant Scholarships, Exhibitions, Prizes and Rewards to persons who shall distinguish themselves at their examination, but the sum to be expended for such purposes in any one year shall not exceed £500; and such Scholarships shall be of the nature and extent of those next mentioned; and all such Scholarships, Exhibitions, Prizes and Rewards shall be granted according to regulations previously made and published.

XXXII. The Scholarships provided for in the fifth section of the Act first mentioned, shall hereafter be held to be Scholarships in any of the Institutions in Upper Canada in which the course of instruction prescribed by the regulations of the University, may be gone through and completed; and to each of such Scholarships an annual stipend shall be attached payable (out of the University funds, or by any County as the case may be) for such periods and on such conditions as shall be fixed by the regulations to be made in that behalf; and to any Scholarships granted under this or the next preceding section, there shall also be attached the title of "University Scholar."

XXXIII. There shall be paid out of the Income Fund of the said University, the sum hereinafter mentioned to the Institution in Upper Canada, (except Upper Canada College which is already endowed out of the Public Lands of that portion of the Province,) in which any person who shall take a Degree in the said University, shall have gone through and completed the course of instruction required by the University in order to enable him to take such Degree, that is to say,—If such person take the Degree of Bachelor of Arts, the sum of £50; Master of Arts, the sum of £75; Bachelor of Laws, the sum £50; Doctor of Laws, the sum of £75; Bachelor of Medicine, the sum of £50; Doctor of Medicine, the sum of £75; to which sums 25 per cent shall be added if the person obtaining such Degree shall at the same time take honours; and a reasonable sum to be fixed by Statute may in like manner be paid to the Institution in Upper Canada in which any person who shall obtain a Certificate of proficiency shall have gone through and completed the course of instruction required by the regulations to be made in that behalf.

XXXIV. The expenditure authorised by the three next preceding sections shall form part of the sixth charge of the Income Fund of the said University, and the order of precedence in which any of them shall be paid, if the amount of the said Fund be not in any year sufficient to meet the whole, may be fixed by Statute, or it may be provided that in such case a proportionate amount only shall be paid on account of the whole or of any portion of such expenditure.

XXXV. No Professorships or Fellowships in the said University shall be founded under the sixth and seventh sections of the Act secondly above mentioned, and the Scholarships therein referred to, shall hereafter be held to be such Scholarships as are herein before mentioned.

XXXVI. The constitution and duties of the Endowment Board shall not be affected by this Act, except that the member thereof appointed by the Caput of the said University shall go out of office on the passing of this act, and shall be replaced by a member who shall be appointed by the Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor and Fellows of the said University, and who shall hold his office during their pleasure, as shall also the other member appointed by the Senate.

ST. GEORGE'S SOCIETY.—The annual meeting of this Society was held on Thursday evening the 23rd instant, J. D. Ridout, Esq., V. P., in the chair. After the transaction of the usual routine business, and the admission of a considerable number of new members, the election of officers for the ensuing year took place, resulting in the appointment of the following gentlemen:—

- President—J. D. Ridout, Esq.
- First Vice-President—S. Thompson, Esq.
- Second Do.—George Eishop, Esq.
- Third Do.—G. A. Barber, Esq.
- Chaplains—The Rev. Dr. Beaven—The Rev. H. Scadding.
- Treasurer—H. Rowsell, Esq.
- Secretary—F. W. Cumberland, Esq.
- Committee of Management—J. W. Brent, F. W. Coate, George Brooke, William Wakefield and J. T. Matthews, Esqs.

It was then moved by G. A. Barber, seconded by F. W. Coate, and

Resolved,—That the thanks of this Society be given to the President and other office-bearers of the Society, for their zealous efforts in forwarding its interests during the past twelve months.

Moved by G. A. Barber, seconded by Wm. Atkinson, and

Resolved,—That for the purpose of furthering the desirable end of efficiently re-organizing the St. George's Society of Toronto, now so auspiciously commenced, each member present be invited and requested to use his personal endeavours to add to the number of the Society, so as not only to bring the Englishmen of the City into more friendly intercourse, but to extend the operations of the Society as a benevolent association.

Moved by G. A. Barber, seconded by Wm. Atkinson, and

Resolved,—That it is desirable to celebrate the ensuing St. George's Day in a manner becoming the anni-