

At the Provincial Examination held in March, there were five candidates for Grammar School License, two of whom obtained that Class, and three obtained 1st Class. Of thirteen who worked for 1st Class License, 10 obtained it, 1 obtained 2nd Class, and 2 failed to obtain any Class. For the 2nd Class there were 127 candidates, of whom 90 obtained the class sought, 31 obtained 3rd Class, and 6 failed entirely. 23 worked for 3rd Class License, and all of them passed the test. Thus 125 out of the whole number (168) examined, succeeded in gaining the class of License sought for. 133 of the candidates had been in attendance at the Normal School the past Session, and only 26 of these, or 19½ per cent., were unsuccessful, while 17, or nearly one half of the remaining 35, failed to get what they sought. Of those who worked at the First Class papers, the highest average was made by Miss Ellen M. Freeman and Mr. E. W. Stevens. The highest among the Second Class candidates were Miss Julia Cairns, of St. John, Miss Jane Price, of Woodstock, and Miss Maud Narraway, of St. John. The highest averages on the third Class papers were made by Miss Annie Young, of Stanley, and Mr. Joseph D. Le Blanc, of Memramcook. Forty five of the 168 candidates are reported as having made no mistakes in the spelling of common words, and a large number had only one word marked against them, six had misspelled ten words or more, the greatest number being fifteen words.

QUEBEC.

The educational interest of the month has mainly centred round our highest Protestant institution of learning in this Province, McGill University. The winding up of the Session's work in the different faculties, the conferring of degrees in the same on the successful candidates, the distribution of prizes to the most deserving students in the various classes bring all such institutions prominently before the public on such occasions; but this year an additional interest was imparted to all these proceedings, and a renewed enthusiasm and general interest were awakened in the University by the presence, in unusual numbers, of the alumni of previous years, who were attracted to their *Alma Mater* to commemorate the twenty-fifth year of the tenure of office of the present worthy and learned Principal—Dr. Dawson. At the banquet given on this occasion by the learned Principal to the graduates of McGill, it must have been extremely gratifying to him to see the large Molson Hall crowded to its utmost capacity with the graduates of the University, among whom not a few of those graduates present had risen to important positions of public and professional life, as, for example, His Honor the Lieutenant Governor, Dr. Robitaille, the Hon. Mr. Lynch, Solicitor-General, the Hon. Dr. Church, late Provincial Treasurer and President of the Graduates' Society, to witness the general and hearty expressions of goodwill to their University, and to hear from all the speakers the spontaneous tributes of praise for his able and successful administration of the affairs of the University during the past quarter of a century, and the almost unprecedented results produced, in regard of which it might well be said of him *et quisivim pars magna fui*.

Noteworthy features relating to the future were the announcement of the intention of Mr. Peter Redpath, one of the Governors, to erect a costly and capacious museum building on the College grounds, and of the Principal to place therein, as a gift to the University, his own large geological collections, and the further announcement that the graduates propose to commemorate the twenty-fifth year of the Principal's tenure of office by the creation of a University Fund or the erection of a University building to bear his name. The museum building, it is estimated, will cost about \$40,000. "Session 1882-3 will be the fiftieth year of the existence of the McGill University, and it is proposed to celebrate this anniversary, and to prepare in connection with it a sketch of the history of the College, for circulation among its friends and graduates."

At the annual convocation of the Faculties of Medicine and of Law, of McGill University, an address of welcome was presented to His Honor Lieutenant Governor Robitaille, to which he made a very neat and appropriate reply, expressive of a warm interest in his old *alma mater*, complimenting very highly at the same time the founders of McGill, especially its learned and universally esteemed Principal, Dr. Dawson.

At the late examinations of the University of Bishop's College the following gentlemen passed their primary examinations in Materia Medica, Anatomy, Chemistry, Physiology, Practical Chemistry, and Practical Anatomy for the degree of C.M. M.D.: Heber Bishop, B.A., Marbleton, Que., prizeman; Ninian C. Smillie, Montreal, Que.; Walter de Moulpied, Nicolet, Que.; J. F. E.

Tetreault, St. Pie, Que.; H. R. Wilson, Montreal, Que.; E. Labue, Chicopee Falls, U.S.

The following passed their final examination for degree of O.M. M.D. in Surgery, Midwifery, Pathology, Medicine, Medical Jurisprudence and Hygiene: H. B. Chandler, Boston, U.S., gold Medallist; I. Leshe Foley, Montreal, Que., final prizeman; L. H. U. Gill, Pierreville, Que.; F. I. E. Tetreault, St. Pie, Que.; Edmund Labrie, Chicopee Falls, U.S.; Philip Dubé, Quebec, Que.

At the ninth annual convocation of Bishop's College, at which were present the Chancellor, R. W. Heneker, Esq., His Lordship Bishop Bond, the Rev Canon Norman, Vice Chancellor, Dr. David, Dean of the Faculty of Medicine, Dr. F. W. Campbell and others, the prizes were awarded to the successful competitors, and degrees conferred on those mentioned above that had passed the degree examinations.

Readings and Recitations.

EDINBURGH AFTER FLODDEN.

The TOWN PROVOST, RANDOLPH MURRAY, Citizens, &c.

FIRST CITIZEN.

News of battle!—news of battle!
Hark! 'tis ringing down the street;
And the archways and the pavement
Bear the clang of hurrying feet.

SECOND CITIZEN.

News of battle! Who hath brought it?
News of triumph! Who should bring
Tidings from our noble army,
Greetings from our gallant king?
All last night we watch'd the beacons
Blazing on the hills afar,
Each one bearing, as it kindled,
Message of the open'd war.
All night long the northern streamers
Shot across the trembling sky:
Fearful lights, that never beacon
Save when kings or heroes die.

THIRD CITIZEN.

News of battle! Who hath brought it?
All are thronging to the gate:
Warder, warder, open quickly!
Man, is this a time to wait?
Who is this with bloody banner
Hanging from his drooping hand?
Can it be our Randolph Murray,
Captain of the city band?

SECOND CITIZEN.

Randolph Murray, what thy message?
Tell us all—O, tell us true!
Where are they who went to battle
For our monarch sworn to you?
Where are they, our brothers—children?
Have they met the English foe?
Why art thou alone, unfollowed?
Is it weal, or is it woe?

TOWN PROVOST.

Now, Randolph, tell thy tidings,
However sharp they be;

Woe is written on thy visage,
Death is looking from thy face:
Speak! though it be of overthrow,
It cannot be disgrace!

RANDOLPH.

Take the banner—none may touch it
Save thine old and honour'd hand.
It is all I have to bring ye
From the bravest of the land!
Ay, ye may well look upon it—
It was guarded well and long
By your brothers and your children,
By the valiant and the strong.
One by one they fell around it,
As the archers laid them low,
Grimly dying, still unconquer'd,
With their faces to the foe.