

dent from the fact, that while in this condition the strictest order and discipline were maintained, that yet, as far as I am aware, they were maintained without the aid of physical chastisement. No doubt, in the management of a school where 500 pupils were on the roll, and over 400 in daily attendance, there was much that exercised the patience and temper of the teacher; and notwithstanding this heavy responsibility, the progress you have made, and your present attainments, assure us that in the discharge of Mr. Gordon's duties the utmost order, regularity and industry must have prevailed. The Rev. Professor Weir alluded to the trouble of the trustees. In the discharge of our duties as such, the inconvenience and loss of time are the least we have to contend with. We have also to meet the grumbling of those who feel dissatisfied at the expense which we incur while endeavouring to promote your interests; but the prosperity of the schools, the progress of the pupils, the efficiency of the teachers, and the consciousness of our endeavors faithfully to discharge the duties, as well as the hearty approval of all who are capable of judging in these matters—these are all to us a sufficient recompense for our loss of time and inconvenience. Any one who would enter our schools in this city at the present time, and remember what they were six or seven years ago, must be struck at the improvements in our whole economy. Instead of hovels which would disgrace any civilized community, we are yearly attaining to the possession of first-class buildings, and those furnished liberally with the necessary apparatus, while at the same time a due regard is observed for the moneys of the poor tax-payers, from whose hard earnings all these provisions are made. And now allow me, said he, to congratulate you on your great advantages. In all probability some of those who now hear me will be the successful competitors for the ten scholarships given by the University at the Grammar School. To those of you who may not succeed, let the success of the others act as an incentive to further diligence, and remember that such is the happy arrangement existing in educational matters in this country, that the poor man's son's opportunity for a first-class education is as good as that possessed by the rich—talent being the only condition required. Your success in the Common School will ensure your admission to the Grammar School. Your success in the Grammar School will introduce you to the Queen's College University; and thus from those who now hear me Canada will at some future day receive a fair proportion of those who are to represent her in the Pulpit, in the Senate, and at the Bar. Show that you appreciate your advantages by the attention you pay to your studies, and I feel satisfied that Kingston will at no distant day occupy the proudest position in educational matters of any city in the Province.—The chairman then introduced Mr. McKee, the new Principal, promoted from the Wellington street department. Doctor Lavell made some very happy remarks, and the proceedings were closed by the Rev. Professor Weir with the benediction.—*Kingston Daily News.*

—**KINGSTON GRAMMAR SCHOOL.**—A new scholarship from the City Common Schools to the Grammar School has just been founded through the joint liberality of the respective heads of these educational departments, Thomas Kirkpatrick, Esq., and Wm. Ford, Esq. The scholarship is tenable for two years, and the value to the successful competitor is \$60. The system thus inaugurated should afford a great stimulus to the youth in our Common Schools.

—**UNIVERSITY OF QUEEN'S COLLEGE—MEDICAL FACULTY.**—This afternoon, shortly after two o'clock, the Medical Faculty of Queen's College, and many of the other professors, met in the Convocation Hall, there to grant degrees to such students as merited them, and to report the names of those who had passed their primary examination. After prayer had been offered up by Dr. Leitch, the conferring of the degrees took place. The names of the successful Doctors of Medicine were pronounced singly by Professor Lawson, while Dr. Leitch placed the cap upon their heads. Their names are:—John D. Kellock, with honors; William Black, P. K. Brannigan, T. F. Chamberlain, B. W. Day, David Hamilton, A. H. Johnston, A. McPherson, H. Skinner, H. Spencer, W. J. Switzer, Robt. Thibodo, Robt. Tracy, A. McKenzie, D. Young, and R. W. Meadows. The names of those who have passed the necessary examination for degrees, but could not hold them by reason of their being under 21 years of age, are:—A. Moore, J. Nichol, and J. A. McDonell. The following gentlemen passed their primary examination:—A. K. Aylsworth, James Beckett, J. Bigham, Wm. Black, A. T. C. Comer, T. M. Fenwick, R. B. Ferguson, E. G. Ferguson, R. B. Ingersoll, J. F. Irwin, C. A. R. Kincaid, J. McCammon, T. F. McLean, J. B. Rutlan, T. Sullivan, and H. P. Yeomans. After the ceremony had taken place, the chairman read an excellent address to the students, pointing out what their duties were, and what stand he expected

them to take in their profession. The students who had gained degrees then, at the request of the chairman, ascended the platform amid much applause and received the congratulations of the different professors and physicians. A hymn was then sung, Dr. Leitch again offered up a prayer, and the Convocation broke up.—*Kingston Whig, March 26.*

—**A GYMNASIUM.**—The Governors of McGill College have taken the preliminary steps, in conjunction with the Montreal Gymnastic Club, towards erecting an excellent Gymnasium, fitted up with all the usual appliances for strengthening the human frame. The students and the High School boys are to enjoy its advantages at nominal fee, while the members of the Gymnasium will do so at a rate far below what is usual in parts of this continent. These results have been gained by the liberality of the Governors of the College, in furnishing the site in the High-School play-ground; and in advancing the funds for the building, while the Club engages to pay eight per cent. on the building-cost, or £80 a-year for five years. The benefit which this building must be to the people of Montreal, present and future, cannot be measured in money, as a single glance at the lively scene presented there every evening will testify. Its situation is central and far from the proximity of temptations which might environ almost any other, whilst warmth within the building and other comforts are, we believe, attended to.

## GREAT BRITAIN.

—**CHANCELLOR OF CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY.**—The Duke of Devonshire who has succeeded the late lamented Prince Consort as Chancellor of Cambridge University, was educated at Trinity College there, and was second wrangler in 1829.

—**ETON COLLEGE.**—New school-rooms, costing £10,000, are to be erected by private subscription in Eton College. The Queen has given £100, and Prince Albert gave £50 to the fund.

—**CAMBRIDGE PRIZE POEM.**—The death of the Prince Consort is to be the subject of a prize poem, for which the new Chancellor of the University of Cambridge offers a gold medal.

—**ORONHYATEKHA,** a Mohawk Indian, 21 years of age, sailed recently for Liverpool, on his way to Oxford, England, to finish his education. Oronhyatekha is from the Reservation of the Six Nations near Brantford, upon the Grand River, Canada West. For two years past he has been a member of Kenyon College, Ohio, and upon the late visit of the Prince of Wales, the royal party became much interested in him. He has now gone out under the auspices of Henry L. Ackland, M. D., F. R. S., late physician to the royal party, and then and now Regius Professor of Medicine in Oxford University. On his arrival at Oxford he will enter immediately upon his studies.

—**GLASGOW UNIVERSITY.**—Alexander Smith, author of "Edwin of Deira," &c., is a candidate for the new chair of English Literature in the University of Glasgow.

—**QUEEN'S COLLEGES, IRELAND.**—Sir Robert Peel, the newly elected Chief Secretary for Ireland, has most liberally promised to endow a scholarship at each of the three Colleges of the Queen's University, Ireland, for five years. An influential deputation has also waited upon Sir Robert, to ask his aid in establishing a fourth Queen's College at Dublin. Of this proposition it is rumoured that Trinity College, Dublin, has shown some jealousy. *A propos* of this the Irish correspondent of the *Times* writes:—Assuredly, Trinity College has no reason to be jealous of the Queen's University, either on the ground of success or revenue. The *Morning News* gives the Roman Catholic view of the Dublin University, stating that 12 of the States of Europe have smaller territory than the corporation of Trinity College; that her estates extend through 17 counties in four provinces, and contain 199,578 statute acres—1 per cent. of the whole surface of Ireland—which, if enclosed with a ring fence, would form a circle of more than 200 miles in circumference; that a Royal Commission returns the poor-law valuation of these vast estates at £92,360 a year, and the average annual amount of fines alone for the renewal of short leases sometimes reaches £9,000—a sum in excess of the endowment of several distinguished Universities in Europe; that some of her senior Fellows enjoy incomes higher than Cabinet ministers, and many of her tutors have revenues above those of Cardinals, while junior fellows of a few years' standing frequently decline some of her 31 church livings, with incomes that would shame the poverty of scores of Roman Catholic Archbishops; and that some of her chairs are vacated only for