

the Imperial service; and having received an appointment here in charge of the military stores, he retained this position until Ottawa ceased to be maintained as an Ordnance Depot. Many eventful scenes had he witnessed during his long life, some of them of a most stirring character. He accompanied the forces sent out to assist the Spanish patriots against Napoleon in 1808, as Sergeant in the Royal Artillery, and was present at the celebrated retreat of Corunna. Being about ten or fifteen yards from Sir John Moore, when he fell, he witnessed that event, saddening to the heart of the British brave, of their renowned general being carried off mortally wounded and that at a most critical juncture.—*Ottawa Citizen*.

5. MR. BROWN OF CROWLAND.

Mr. Brown was born at the Township of Pelham, in this County, on the 12th December, A. D. 1804, and consequently, at the time of his death, was some months over 67 years of age. A farmer he has lived and died on his farm in the Township of Crowland, only a short distance from the place of his birth. He was one of the oldest magistrates in the County of Welland, and his name has been associated with most of the municipal and political matters of the County for the last half century. Respected for his firmness and integrity, though frequently called upon to adjudicate in matters of difference or irregularity among his neighbors, his decisions have never been appealed from. Moderate, circumspect and consistent in his political principles, he has always enjoyed an immunity from the consequences of exciting discussions incident to less temperate dispositions. His grandfather was a Lieutenant of Infantry under Wolfe at the storming of Quebec, in 1759, and subsequently emigrated from Ireland, with his family, and settled in the then Province of New Jersey. His father, Alexander Brown, was born in Ireland, and was only 5 years old at the time of emigration.—When the independence of the American Colonies was conceded by the mother country, the aged veteran and his son, like many more—and be it said to their honor—preferring the hardships of hewing out a new home in a vast wilderness to disloyalty to their King, once more emigrated; came to Canada, and consequently were of that ever to be respected class of men who gloried in the title of United Empire Loyalists. Mr. Brown was a member of the Established church, and throughout his life has been active and zealous in its support.—*Welland Telegraph*.

III. Educational Intelligence.

—The Convocation of McGill College took place on May the 1st. The Hon. James Ferrier presided. The proceedings were opened by prayer, offered up by the Rev. the Archdeacon Leach. The list of awards was then read over by the Dean of the Faculty of Arts, who presented those gentlemen who had passed the necessary examinations, and performed all the conditions required, to the Vice-Chancellor to receive the degree of Bachelor of Arts. Passed for the degree of B. A.:—In Honours—First Bank.—Ells, Robert, Cornwallis, N. S.; Hodge, D. W. R., Eaton, Q., Maxwell, John, Lancaster, O.; Naylor William H., Noyan, Q.; Wallace, Robert, Ont. Second Bank.—Crothers, William J., Phillinsburg, Q.; Ordinary, Class II—Allworth, John, Paris, Ont.; Christie, John H., Lachute, Q.; Class III—Torrance John Fraser, Montreal, Q.; Munro, Murdoch, Glengarry, Ont.; Whillans, Robert, Ottawa, Ont.; Finlay McLeod. Professor Johnson addressed the students on behalf of the Faculty, congratulating them that the establishment of a school of practical science had at length rolled away the reproach which had long rested upon the country in this respect. This school had now been established in the most effective way by being connected with the University, the prestige of which it enjoyed. The school contained three branches of applied science, civil engineering, mining engineering, and assaying combined with practical chemistry, but they hoped to cover a still larger field in future. Though this school existed at present as a part of the Faculty of Arts, the creation of the new degree virtually marked the beginning of a new Faculty which would in course of time rank with the other faculties of the University. The Prof. went on to speak of the value of words to show that the study of languages must also be considered a portion of practical education. He considered also that the exclusive study of physical science was

positively dangerous to the harmonious development of the mental faculties. In conclusion, the Professor alluded to the Darwinian theory, which he considered erroneous. The Vice-Chancellor announced that the Corporation had conferred the degree of LL.D. upon the Rev. Professor Cornish. The Rev. Chas. Chapman, M. A., of London University, and the Rev. R. McAlpine Thornton, of Toronto, were admitted to *ad eundem* degrees in the University. Principal Dawson also addressed the meeting for a short time. In doing so he reviewed briefly the work of the past session. In two meetings of Convocation they had given fifty-one degrees in the course, namely, thirty-five in law and medicine, and sixteen in arts. He referred to the establishment of the school of practical science. In connection with this they had to speak of endowments to the amount of \$8,000, annual contributions to the amount of \$1,450, and aid from the Quebec Legislature of \$1,000, the appointment of two additional instructing officers, and the attendance of nineteen students in the classes of civil engineering, mining engineering and assaying. The University had been fortunate in securing the services of Professor Armstrong and Dr. Harrington. He had been surprised at the readiness with which aid was given to the enterprise, and as an illustration, he had yesterday received a letter from one of their graduates containing a spontaneous offering on his part towards the provision of apparatus for the school. Connected with this new school was an endowment received that year, of which any University might be proud, that of the Logan chair of geology. The gift was timely and valuable, and doubly valuable from its association with the name and fame of the giver. Another benefaction of the past year deserved mention. That was the endowment by the Caledonian Society of Montreal of the Scott Exhibition. The Shakespeare medal and the Scott Exhibition afforded beautiful instances of the interest of a prosperous mercantile community in the cause of higher education. He alluded to the work which the University had been carrying on of the higher education of woman. The pupils of the late Miss Lyman had also placed under the care of the College the fund they had raised in commemoration of their lamented teacher. He had reason to believe that other gifts and endowments would shortly be announced, and the time for the organization of a regular college for women might not be so far distant as some supposed. One gentleman of this city had already devoted a handsome property to this subject, and another had authorized him to say that he would commence a subscription with \$5,000, so as to render the plans of the first-mentioned gentleman immediately operative. The Principal also alluded to the death of Professor Forbes, and the appointment of Professor Murray to fill his place. He also alluded to the approaching loss the University would have to sustain in the departure of Dr. Sterry Hunt. He alluded in a suitable manner to the death during the past year of two of their students in arts, both young men of much promise. On the whole the past year afforded reason for thankfulness and encouragement, and he would close with thanks to their friends for aid and countenance, and with expression of their acknowledgments to Professor Smith for the good words he had given them, and still more for his kindness in acceding to their request to deliver a course of lectures in the next session of the University. The meeting was then brought to a close.

—DEAF AND DUMB INSTITUTE, BELLEVILLE.—Dr. May kindly consented to give an entertainment for the benefit of the children this afternoon at three o'clock, in Ontario Hall. The pupils from the Deaf and Dumb Institute were present, together with large deputations from the Public Schools of the town. The entertainment proved to be of the most interesting nature possible, and gave unlimited pleasure to the juveniles. The Dr. is particularly happy in his illustrations, evincing a tact for instructing which has possibly been matured by his previous associations. Dr. Palmer deserves much credit for his unceasing interest in the success of these lectures, and the trouble and expense he puts himself to in order to accomplish that end.