

honours in Arts, taking medals in that faculty also. Here was another proof of the advantage of the more thorough preparatory studies of the college, even in competition for professional eminence. The Vice Chancellor next alluded to the fact that at last, after fifteen years of anxious labor, the Governors had utilized and rendered productive all the estate bequeathed by the late Hon. James McGill for its foundation, except what was absolutely needed for the college itself. Their administration of that estate was proof to all who might be willing to entrust them with further funds, that they would also be well used. There was much more needed, either from private beneficence or public means; and a public man could in no way earn more enviable distinction than by using his influence to wipe off the reproach that the government and Parliament of the Province had given nothing for the endowment of academical institutions in Lower Canada. He concluded with an eloquent appeal to the graduates and students respecting the development of their minds beyond the comparatively narrow range of studies they had hitherto pursued. The proceedings were closed with the benediction, pronounced by the Rev. Professor Cornish, and the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

— **MCGILL UNIVERSITY.**—The lists of the University in the present session of 1866 show 58 students in Law, 174 in Medicine and 79 in Arts; or, after deducting a few entered in more than one faculty, 306 students in all. This number does not include the students matriculated in the University, but studying at the affiliated colleges of Morrin and St. Francis. There are, in addition, 250 pupils in the High School, 66 teachers in training in the Normal School, and 314 pupils in the Model School of the Normal School. There are thus in all 986 persons directly receiving instruction in connection with the University. Of these, no less than 203 persons are not resident in Montreal, but resorting thither from various parts of British America and the United States for education. These numbers furnish a satisfactory indication of the high reputation and extended usefulness of the University, and afford matter for congratulation and thankfulness to its friends, while they should encourage renewed exertion and greater liberality on its behalf.

— **LOWER CANADA SCHOOL LAW.**—An important decision has recently been given by Mr. Justice Sicotte, in reference to the School Law in Lower Canada. The question in dispute was the right of non-residents to apply the taxes payable upon their property to such schools as they might select. —Heretofore the point has been a disputed one, Judge Short having decided against the right, and Judge Coursol in favor of it. The question is one of great interest to Protestants in Lower Canada, many of whom own large quantities of land in the Townships, and who desire to devote the taxes accruing on them to the support of the dissentient schools. Indeed so strong was the feeling on the subject that one of the points demanded by the Protestants, in the proposed new School Bill, was that non-residents should have the right to apply their school taxes as they pleased. In the case brought before Mr. Justice Sicotte, the Roman Catholic view was argued by Mr. Huntingdon, a Protestant and former Solicitor General for Lower Canada, and the Protestant view by Mr. Laberge, a Catholic, formerly member for Iberville, and since that time a temporary Judge. The ground taken by his Lordship was that in the contemplation of the law, everyone who pays taxes in a locality is "an inhabitant," and therefore entitled under the school Law of Lower Canada, to make such appropriation as he pleases of his school taxes.—*Hamilton Spectator*.

— **IRISH ROMAN CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY.**—The Rev. Mr. Beausang collected \$3,367 during his visit here for the Catholic University of Dublin. The *Ulster Observer* commenting on the fact states; "it is only right to add that the Catholics of Canada were generously aided in their contributions by several liberal Protestants, comprising some of the first statesmen of the Province and some notable public and private men."

— **SUCCESSOR TO DR. WHEWELL.**—The appointment of the Rev. William Hepworth Thompson, M. A., as Master of Trinity College, Cambridge, void by the death of Dr. Whewell, is gazetted.

IX. Departmental Notices.

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