

certain that those who attended it were helped by what they heard and went away well pleased with what had been done and said. One, and that a new feature of the convocation, remains to be commented upon. On the first evening, the Rev. E. I. Rexford, principal of the Montreal High School, gave a lecture on the Relation of the Clergy to Public Instruction in the Province of Quebec. Those who were able to be present (and we regret much that there were not more) will have carried away with them thoughts that they will never forget. Mr. Rexford pointed out the very important position which a clergyman has in the schools of the province. He showed what favorable legislation there was, and what an important duty it was for all to acquaint themselves with their privileges, and to avail themselves of them to the fullest extent. He showed how vast an influence might be wielded for good or evil by the attitude which the clergy assume towards their schools and children. The influence in the home, the interest awakened in the parent as well as the child by his interest in their education, presented a most vivid picture to the mind's eye, and one which we are confident will not lose its colour, nor fade for many years from the remembrance of those who were present.

The reunion in the dining hall, at the close of the conference, was a great success. The loyalty of all present was called forth by Rev. L. N. Tucker's speech in proposing the toast to the Queen, and by the toasts to the benefactors and Principal of the institution.

Before passing from the present subject we would like to call the attention of the Alumni Association to the fact that there does not seem to be a sufficient interest taken in the Annual Meetings by the Alumni in general. It may be that there are difficulties in the way of members coming from distant parishes to these annual meetings. If, however, they be what they pretend to be, not only re-unions of friends more or less widely separated, but a comparison of individual progress and of results achieved, something ought to be done to encourage the attendance of more of the members. We want to see some new faces at these meetings, and to hear a wider interchange of opinions. Perhaps the establishment of a central fund, out of which part of the expenses would be paid, of those at a certain distance from Montreal, would assist in bringing greater numbers of our Alumni together.

Through no fault of ours, the first issue of the Magazine for this session has been greatly delayed. We tender our subscribers an apology, and promise to bring out our next number more punctually.

We notice with great pleasure the issue of our contemporary, "The Mitre," published by the students of Lennoxville. We thank the editors for the copy sent us and wish them every success.