

present St. Lawrence Hall and market buildings in the city. In 1834 he gained the premium of £30 for laying out the market block. In 1836 he gained the premium of £45 for the Toronto Gaol and Court House. In 1837 he captured the premium of £45 for the Gaol and Court House, London, Ont. In 1841 he gained the premium of £25 for the new market at Kingston. In 1842 he gained the premium of £50 for Queen's College, Kingston. In 1844 he gained the premium of £30 for the Lunatic Asylum, Toronto. Mr. Howard was a genial, sociable, well-educated Englishman, and in his younger days, when he was a daily visitor to the city, was a well-known figure on the streets. He was extremely generous, as his magnificent gift of High Park to the city proves. Mr. Howard was a scion of one of the most illustrious families of the United Kingdom, being descended from the most noble Lord William Howard of Hawthorth Castle, in the County of Cumberland, the "Belted Will" of Sir Walter Scott's well-known poem.

At a meeting of the Principal and Masters of Upper Canada College, on Wednesday, the following resolutions, proposed by Mr. Wedd, and seconded by Mr. Martland, was unanimously adopted:—

The Principal and Masters of Upper Canada College desire to pay a prompt tribute to the memory of the late Mr. John G. Howard, formerly a Master in the institution.

Early in the spring of 1833, shortly after his arrival in this city, Mr. Howard was appointed by His Excellency, Sir John Colborne, the founder of the College, to be Geometrical Drawing Master and Instructor in Perspective, Planing and Surveying.

For very many years afterwards the distinguished architect was also a most successful teacher of the above subjects; and his genial and kindly disposition, his painstaking and conscientious discharge of his duties in the College, gained for him the affectionate respect of every one of the long roll of pupils who had the privilege of attending his classes.

The munificent donation of "High Park" to the city of his adoption proved likewise most generous to an institution which he also dearly loved, which he had so faithfully served during so many long years, and whose successive Principals and Masters ever held him in the highest estimation. His gifts to the College consisted of several valuable volumes, a fine oil painting of himself, and lately of all his mathematical and surveying instruments.

Under these circumstances the Principal and Masters have felt it incumbent on them to take their part in the universal expression of regard which his recent demise has called forth.

*Trinity Conversation.*—On Thursday evening last, the classic halls of "Old Trinity" were the scene of one of the most festive occasions which have been witnessed in those sacred precincts. The Annual Conversation, given by the members of the Literary Institute, is usually looked forward to, both by students, and the friends outside of the College, with great pleasure; but never, perhaps, in the history of this Society, was it looked forward to with so much interest, or enjoyed so thoroughly as on this occasion. Everything seemed to conspire to effect the most successful result. The various committees worked and planned admirably, in their several departments, and with great success. The work of the decoration committee was very effective, excellent, we think, all former efforts. The weather committee contributed largely to the success by arranging for a most superb evening. Even the "Freshmen" evinced more enthusiasm, if possible, than usual, and moth-like were anxious to have the wings of their imagination singed by the light of their first love. Of the invitations sent out about nine hundred were accepted. For two hours after 7.30 p.m. a procession of carriages moved up the avenue leading to the main entrance of the College, and deposited its inexpressibly charming occupants—the youth, beauty, and learning of the elite of Toronto. The guests were received in the large reception hall by Dr. Body, Provost of the College. During the reception, strains of sweet music, emanating from Convocation Hall, were being wafted through the corridors. As soon as the guests were assembled in the Concert Hall, a programme of choice vocal selections was introduced by the "College Glee Club" singing, in a very acceptable manner, "May Day." Among those whose names appeared on the programme, we might specially mention Mrs. Murray Dickson, who rendered "Come to Me" in an admirable style; and Mrs. Shilton, who displayed great artistic ability in her rendering of "Springtime"; and Mr. H. Blight, who sang "Yeoman's Wedding Song" in a very captivating manner; also Revd. F. Plummer, who, as an accompanist, was faultless. On the completion of the musical programme supper was served in the College dining hall; here ample justice was done to the good things provided by the refreshment committee, after which the guests adjourned to Convocation Hall, where, by this time, all preparations had been made for "tripping the light fantastic," which was indulged in by the lovers

of the terpsichorean art, until the "wee sma' hours," when the band gave the signal for departure, by striking up the National Anthem. Thus ended one of the most enjoyable social events in the history of Trinity College.

*CASTLEMORE.*—*St. John's.*—The Church people here recently presented their rector and his wife with tokens of their respect and esteem, to Mrs. Morley they gave a silver breakfast cruet, and to Mr. Morley sleigh robes, accompanied with the following address, to which the rector made a feeling reply:

*The Rev. Geo. B. Morley,*

DEAR SIR,—We the members of St. John's Church, having witnessed your untiring zeal for the glory of God, and the advancement of His Holy Church, and having been cheered and comforted by your devout and reverent ministrations in all the services of the Church, and edified and strengthened in our faith by your able exposition of the Church's doctrine, as revealed in the word of God, and being desirous of expressing to you our high appreciation of your labors amongst us, and our affectionate regard for you and your family, we beg you and Mrs. Morley to accept these tokens of our love and esteem for you and yours. Hoping that you may be long spared to serve the Church, which we all so deeply and truly love, and that we may be favoured with your able and faithful care. We are your sincere friends and loving parishioners. Signed on behalf of St. John's congregation, Wm. Wiley, James Craven, Churchwardens; Thos. St. John, Lay Representative to Synod.

*MONO MILLS.*—A sad and fatal accident occurred at St. John's rectory, on New Year's Day, by which the two-month-old daughter of Rev. A. C. Watt lost her life. It appears that the rev. gentleman had been engaged to officiate at a marriage ceremony that day, and had his horse and buggy waiting at the door. He went into the house for something, leaving his wife and the babe in the buggy. While Mr. Watt was in the house the horse became frightened and dashed away, upsetting the vehicle and throwing the occupants out. Mrs. Watt was seriously injured, but the baby was less fortunate, a fracture of the skull killing it instantly.

*PETERBOROUGH.*—The Church has sustained a severe loss in the death of Mr. C. H. Sheffield, at the age of 45, who has served as People's Church Warden for four years. Mr. Sheffield's quiet and unostentatious, but persevering efforts, have done much to advance the Church's cause in Peterborough. He was suddenly called to rest from his post of duty on January 30th, the tolling bell and flag flying at half mast from St. John's tower feebly expressing the sympathy and sorrow of the rector and congregation.

#### HURON.

*ST. THOMAS.*—*St. John's Church.*—St. John's Church Sabbath School celebrated their anniversary last week, by a concert in the Conductor's Hall. The building was packed to the doors, the programme was an excellent one and was well carried out, every number being creditably presented, and an evening spent that will be long remembered by the children, parents and all present. Among the numbers on the programme those rendered by Messrs. Forbes, Perrin, Shaw and Cowley deserve especial mention. Mr. Shaw played three instruments at one time, triangle, banjo, and mouth organ; and Mr. Cowley played mouth organ and banjo. Great praise is due to Misses Stanbury, Dixon and Caskey, Miss Beaumont, Miss May Beaumont, and Mrs. Potts, for the able manner in which they trained the children in their several parts. St. John's Church has made commendable progress during the past three years, under the care of the incumbent, the Rev. Dr. Beaumont, who is an earnest worker, an eloquent preacher, and much beloved by his congregation. The Sunday School has also made vast strides under the care of Mr. Lea, the Superintendent for the past 13 years. The first year he took charge there were only 50 scholars, and now there are nearly 300. Mr. Lea is ably assisted by Mr. Scarlett and a most efficient staff of teachers, among whom is Mrs. Beaumont, wife of the incumbent. Although the work has been up-hill during the past three years, owing to the removal of a large number of families, who were employed on the G. T. R., yet it has not only made up for those, but has largely increased under the able pastorate of Dr. Beaumont.

The members of Miss May Beaumont's class in the Sunday-school, recently waited upon her at St. John's Parsonage, and presented to her a valuable and handsome guitar, in appreciation of her efforts on their behalf. Messrs. John Knight, S. O. James, William Walker, and S. Howard, made the presentation.

#### ALGOMA.

The Rev. H. P. Lowe, B. A., (of Trinity College, Toronto) has recently been appointed Incumbent of the Aspdin Mission. Since the resignation of the late Incumbent, Rev. W. Crompton, last October, the Church of St. Mary's, Aspdin, has been closed. It was reopened on the 1st Sunday of the New Year, and for three Sundays, services were conducted by a lay-reader. On Sunday, January 26th, the Rev. H. P. Lowe, B. A., commenced his duties, holding service at Aspdin morning and evening, and at Lancelot in the afternoon. The services throughout the day were very hearty, those at Aspdin being fully choral, as is customary. Mr. Lowe preached his opening sermon, which was practical, impressive, and appropriate, from St. Matt. xxvi. 19, "With men this is impossible, but with God, all things are possible."

*BRACEBRIDGE.*—The Bishop of the Diocese made his usual annual confirmation tour in this mission on Wednesday and Thursday, 15th and 16th January last. At St. George's, Falkenburg, 3 persons were confirmed, sealing their promise and seeking aid to help it in the reception of the Holy Communion on the following Sunday. In Bracebridge 4 persons were confirmed, two of whom were adults. The Bishop on this occasion, as he is wont, preaching a most clear and instructive sermon on the subject of Eternal Punishment, which was listened to with marked attention from beginning to end. On Thursday, we reached Baysville, 16 miles distant, in time for morning prayers at 10.30 a.m. Four persons were here admitted into full Church Communion after the Apostolic example. Nearly half of the intending confirmands were disabled by the prevailing epidemic from carrying into effect their intentions to be confirmed. Our Bishop's visit is always the subject of pleasant anticipations, which are never disappointed, both in regard to his person and office. Long may he be spared to the Church and to us, to guide and cheer with ready mind and sympathising heart. James Brydell, Incumbent, Bracebridge.

#### British and Foreign.

A petition by Bishop W. H. Hare, of Sioux Falls, who is at the head of the Episcopal church in the Dakotas, was presented to both branches of the legislature and caused considerable of a stir, especially among the *female lobby* which is attending the session. Bishop Hare emphatically protests against the prohibition bill now before the legislature, which has every prospect of becoming a law, stating that it is too stringent in its provisions and stricter than there is any call for. He says the bill even causes interferences between the state and religion (because it prohibits the use of wine for sacramental purposes in churches). The bishop also cites the bible and other authorities to show that fermented wine at the altar for sacrament is right, and therefore prays that the bill does not become a law, or, at least, that this obnoxious feature be stricken out. The present bill is said to be the most stringent prohibition measure ever drawn up, but the combined efforts of the state prohibition league and the Woman's Christian Temperance Union are being used to procure its passage.

It is officially announced that in future no "Literates" will be admitted to the Bishop of Manchester's examination of candidates for holy orders. Notice is now given that a Divinity school, to be called "Schola Episcopii," has been established at the cathedral, with the sanction of the Bishop, for the education of candidates for orders. The Dean and Archdeacon Anson, Canons Crane, Woodhouse, Davenport Kelly, and Julius Lloyd have undertaken to be tutors in this school. Only those who are recommended by the Bishop of Manchester for ordination in his diocese will be admitted. Students will have to attend classes in the school for two years, and may maintain themselves during that period by obtaining the position of paid lay-readers in the diocese. Students who obtain a certificate of approval in this school, and have passed the Oxford and Cambridge preliminary examinations, will be admitted to the examination for deacon's orders.

The Dean of Westminster (Dr. Bradley) in his last Christmas sermon in the Abbey, said that a few days ago he met with a sermon that was preached in St. Margaret's, before the members of the House of Commons, two days after the Christmas of 1648. The preacher was a northern divine, held in deserved honor for his gifts and character. The preacher of whom he spoke denounced the seasonable keeping of Christmas as one of the sins of the nation, which had brought on its civil strife, and as a superstition at its last gasp, likely soon to disappear!

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