

and as the speaker proceeded to delineate in glowing language the progress of liberty—civil, intellectual, and religious—the convictions of his hearers were carried with him and a strong impression made. His final theme was that of education to the gentler sex. His positions were cogently and elegantly maintained. His concluding exhortation to the gradulatory class, who were now to go forth to the sterner tasks of life, to follow the noblest aim and bring honor to their friends and the institution, was most impressive, and such as only one whose heart was in the work of education could speak."

In the evening, Prof. Reynar, of Victoria College, Cobourg, delivered the annual College sermon. He took for his text John xiv. 1. The audience, as in the morning, enjoyed a rare treat, and the reverend gentlemen had the profound attention of his hearers throughout the whole of his finished discourse.

THE closing meeting of the Senior Literary Society was an unusually interesting affair. Owing to the usual press of time attending the end of school, only the customary exercises were indulged in. After the programme had been gone through, the meeting was addressed by Prof. Wright, in his usual happy strain, and then by Miss Minnie Buck, who, in behalf of the Juniors, invited the Seniors to attend a farewell supper, which was laid in the library. This part of the programme was most enjoyable, and several of the ladies showed most admirable talent for speechmaking. The work done in the Society this year has undoubtedly been of a good character.

The Junior Literary Society gave their entertainment last week. The programme was excellent and well carried out. An amusing debate on the question whether "General Jackson or Napoleon Bonaparte was the greater general," took place, and the debaters deserve great credit for their efforts. The musical part of the programme was well rendered.

We hope the friends of THE PORTFOLIO will patronize us next year, when the terms will be lower and the matter better.

THE Princess and Marquis are expected to visit Hamilton in September, at the opening of the magnificent new Court House. We understand that arrangements are being made to secure their presence. As a matter of course our College will be honored with a visit, and its usual accompaniments, an address of welcome, &c. Her royal brother visited Hamilton years ago.

THE year just closed has been one of marked comfort and satisfaction. Not a case of serious discipline have we heard of. Nor has any thing occurred to endanger the steady flow of friendly current that should always exist between faculty and student. On the contrary, if we are to judge from the looks and words of our faculty, as well as the strong expressions of satisfaction heard all through the year among the students, we would naturally infer that mutual congratulation and admiration were in order. The closing weeks of the year gave striking evidence of this. Nothing could be more gratifying and delightful than the harmony that has prevailed, each vying with the other in the effort to make our commencement a success. And if half of what the guests say be true, we have had the pleasantest commencement in the history of the College.

ON all hands we hear the hearty affirmative response to the old question—"Are you coming back in the fall?" Many of the rooms have been re-engaged by the present occupants, and it is fully expected that few empty rooms will be found in the College next September.

WE fancy we hear the "right," "left" "right," "left," of Major Dearnly next fall, as the gentlemanly old professor puts us again through our light gymnastics. The skating rink also looms up in the future, although our thermometer away up in the nineties would suggest ice for another purpose to-day. Then our riding school, on which the Major is so enthusiastic, and for which he says we are so well prepared, will engage the attention of some who admire the art equestrian. These with other facilities and arrangements for our comfort are coloring our anticipations of next year.