

not prevail on the Vice-Chancellor to accept the chair; he put this down, however, not to his obstinacy, but to his native modesty, though that quality did not belong to the learned profession of which the Vice-Chancellor was such a distinguished member. He might now observe that both these institutions were carrying out most effectively the intentions of their founders, and of those who contributed to their existence. These institutions were carrying out to the full the injunctions of the King's charter to give to the youth of this Province education in the higher branches of science and literature. These were the words used in the King's charter, and they were well deserved. He would say to these gentlemen, who were now going forth to embark on the voyage of life, that he trusted that they would never forget their *Alma Mater*; and that whatever their career they would keep this in view—that their lives would bring credit or discredit on the University. He would thank those present, on behalf of the officers of the University and himself, for the interest they had taken in its progress; and in doing so would declare the Convocation closed. Three cheers having been given for the Queen, the Chancellor, and the ladies, the proceedings terminated.—*Globe*.

—**ALBERT COLLEGE.**—The Annual Convocation of Albert College was held on Tuesday, the 20th ult., in the Ontario Hall, Belleville. The Chancellor (Rev. J. Carman), accompanied by Bishop Richardson and Mayor Halden, followed by the Professors and Undergraduates in procession, having taken their seats on the platform, to which several leading citizens of Belleville were invited; the venerable Bishop opened the proceedings with prayer. The Chancellor then delivered an oration, giving a brilliant sketch of ancient philosophy and other subjects. Next in order was the presentation of W. G. MacLachlan, who had, by hard study, won the bursary founded last year by the generosity of Hon. J. S. Macdonald, Premier of Ontario. Mr. MacLachlan also received first class honours in mathematics. Mr. Blair obtained the prize of the Mayor for proficiency in English; Mr. Cook, for a thesis for the degree of B.A., read by Mr. Dorland, was a very able production, showing deep research in historic lore. The conferring of degrees was next witnessed by the audience with much interest, the recipients of which received rounds of plaudits. St. Geo. B. Crozier, kneeling before the Chancellor, and joining hands, received the hood of his degree as Musical Doctor—the second degree of the kind conferred in Ontario. Dr. Crozier is very popular here, and is an accomplished and excellent musician. Mr. P. S. Dorland was, after the reading of his elaborately written thesis, admitted to the degree of B.A.—the first conferred in Albert College. Seven other gentlemen were presented with prizes. Mr. Palmer has won another bursary, given by the munificence of our Premier, in addition to that referred to.

—**ST. MICHAEL'S COLLEGE.**—The distribution of prizes at Saint Michael's College took place yesterday morning in the grove, in the rear of the college building. There was a good attendance of ladies and gentlemen interested in the progress of the students. His Grace Archbishop Lynch, Bishop Farrell, of Hamilton, and several of the fathers were present. After a selection by the College Band, Master Merrick played a solo on the piano. This was followed by a debate upon the relative superiority of the calling of farming, the learned professions generally, and the clerical profession. The young gentlemen supported their respective positions by strong arguments, and in a way that displayed ability on their part and careful training in this important branch of education. After some more music, one of the students read an address in Latin from the students to His Holiness the Pope, which was handed to the Archbishop. Rev. Father Ferguson announced that the students had requested the professors to send the money that was to have been expended in prizes as a contribution to the Pope. The professors had acceded to this request, and the money would accompany the address. In place, therefore, of prizes, certificates would be distributed to those to whom prizes would have been awarded. Father Ferguson then read

the list of the successful competitors. After the reading of the list, the Archbishop addressed a few words to the students, expressing his gratification at the progress they were making, and counselling them as to their future course. Alluding to the debate of the students, he spoke of the dignity and high mission of the clerical profession, and said the Church in this country was very much in need of more young men who would devote themselves to the profession of the priesthood. At the close, the students gave three cheers for the Archbishop, and three more for Bishop Farrell.—*Globe*.

—**UPPER CANADA COLLEGE.**—The annual distribution of prizes at Upper Canada College took place on the 27th ult. In presenting the Lieut-Governor's prize, Mr. Cockburn referred in most flattering terms to the successful boy, J. W. Elliott. Elliott, he said, came from Kentucky. The ceremony of presentation being over, Mr. Cockburn made a few brief remarks. He announced that Mr. McLellan, the assistant mathematical master was about to leave the College to accept the position of Inspector of Grammar Schools for Ontario, to which position he had been recently appointed. During that gentleman's term of service in the College, he had always found him to be zealous in the discharge of his duties, and he felt very sorry that the institution was to lose him. Mr. C. H. Connors was also about retiring from the College, but he was happy to state that he intended remaining at his post in the boarding house. The Rev. Mr. Sweatman, head master of Hellmuth college, had accepted the position of 2nd Mathematical Master in Upper Canada College, and would enter on his duties after the vacation. This new appointment would enable the authorities of the College so to arrange the scheme of studies that mathematics would receive more attention for the future than they had been able to devote to them in the past. The College roll this year showed an average of 307 pupils, being 3 less than last year. At the University, the success of College boys has been very marked. The Prince of Wales' prize and four out of five gold medals have been taken by old College boys. Mr. Cockburn said he had but to announce that the college vacation now commenced, and that he hoped the boys would enjoy their holidays. Business will resume on the 1st of September next, when he hoped to see the boys all in their places.—*Express*.

—**MODEL SCHOOLS.**—The annual public examination of the pupils attending the Model School took place as usual, and proved in every respect a gratifying success. The forenoon was devoted to the examinations in the male and female apartments, and it is not too much to say that the pupils acquitted themselves in a manner of which the teachers may well feel proud. Rev. Dr. Ryerson occupied the chair, and seated on the platform were Chief Justice Draper and Mrs. Draper. The scholars presented a nice appearance, especially the girls, who were nearly all attired in white muslin, and round the waist of each was sash, indicative of the division to which the wearer belonged—the colours being blue, pink and mauve; the boys of the respective divisions wearing rosettes of the same colours. Mr. Sefton, the popular music teacher, presided at the piano, and conducted the pupils in singing the various pieces which followed, and the execution of which clearly proved that their teacher's efforts had not been made in vain. The proceedings were commenced by singing "God Bless the Dominion," after which an interesting programme was proceeded with, including dialogues, songs and choruses, recitations, solos, &c. Dr. Sangster then delivered a brief address, in which he complimented the pupils upon the creditable character of the day's proceedings. The pupils to whom prizes were awarded were then called in front of the platform and presented with a choice selection of books—Dr. Ryerson and Chief Justice Draper assisting in the distribution of the valued gifts. At the close of the distribution of prizes, Dr. Ryerson referred to the year 1844, when he received his appointment to the office he now occupied at the hands of the Government, of which his friend, Chief Justice Draper, was then Prime Minister and Attorney-General, and who had introduced the Bill