

the old school, I left out the name of his old master, the Rev. D. MacAulay. I explained to Mr. Howard that I had never heard of the name in connection with the Home District Grammar School. Mr. Howard said he had also spoken to Dr. J. G. Hodgins about the same man, and Dr. Hodgins told him he had no record of such a man, either in the Home District School or in any other school. To put the matter beyond controversy, Mr. Howard showed a receipt, tuition fees, for first half of the year 1836. The receipt is signed by D. MacAulay, Principal Home District Grammar School. He showed me other evidence corroborative of the fact that the school was in operation at that date.

During some years I had been waiting for information concerning the years, from 1831, when Upper Canada College moved to its own building in Russell Square, and the year (1836) Mr. Cozens was appointed head master of the school. Fortunately, my friend, Mr. Howard, supplied the clue. In looking for information in the Public Library, happily the following was found:—"The District School of the Home District, situated in New Street, City of Toronto. This Institution was ably and successfully conducted by the Hon. and Venerable Archdeacon of York. For a few years after his resignation it had no teacher, as it was thought unnecessary that it should be continued any longer. In consequence of the growing population of the city, a number of respectable individuals, impressed with the value of such an institu-

tion, presented a petition to the Lieutenant-Governor, Sir John Colborne, praying that it might be reopened, which was done in May, 1834, by the appointment of the Rev. D. MacAulay, as Principal. Since then the school has flourished, and the average attendance of pupils is from 90 to 100. The branches of education taught are Hebrew, Greek, Latin, French, English, and English Composition, the use of the globes, mathematics, writing, bookkeeping, drawing, etc. Masters, Rev. D. MacAulay, Principal; Wm. Brethour, B. A., Second Master; Alexander MacKay, Assistant-Teacher; M. Mancarte, Teacher of French; A. Young, Teacher of Drawing. Mr. MacAulay takes young gentlemen to board in his house, whose education he superintends. The above I take from the directory of the City of Toronto, printed by Mr. T. Dalton—author,—Mr. George Walton, Secretary Board of Education, County of York; printed 1837 for the year 1836."

The following note should appear in the next issue of the Year Book:

"Duncan MacAulay was a Master of Arts, University of Glasgow, and Minister of the Church of Scotland. He came to Canada in 1833 and preached in Lower Canada, County of Megantic for a short time. Some trouble arising in his congregation, he came to Upper Canada and was appointed principal of the Home District Grammar School in May, 1834. While here he was one of the chaplains of the St. Andrew's Society, and also had charge of a mission at York Mills. In the