

"The Association met in the evening, but, as the attendance was small, little business was done. The following resolutions were however presented and passed:

"III. That it is desirable that the duties now belonging to School Commissioners be transferred to Municipal Councils.

"IV. That the law ought more explicitly to provide that Absentees and Corporations may designate to the support of which faith their school taxes shall be paid.

"V. That the School Inspector's duty should consist chiefly in awakening and informing the public mind on the subject of Education.

"The Association then adjourned to await the call of the President."

J. W. MARSH,  
Secretary.

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### St. Francis College and Grammar School, Richmond, C. E.

Another very prosperous year of the above institution was closed by public exercises, in the College Lecture Room, on the evening of the 3rd inst.

On the dais were the Rt. Hon. Lord Aylmer, President of the College Corporation; Principal Graham, M. A.; Rev. Prof. Hubbert, Ph. D.; Prof. A. Duff, A. B.; C. A. Tanner, Prof. of French; the Rev. T. G. Smith, Rev. John M. Kay, Rev. D. C. Frink, A. M.; James Armstrong, Esq., Donald McLeay, Esq., and others.

The Declamations and other Exercises were spoken of at the close, by the Rt. Hon. President and others, as having been even beyond those of former years in excellence.

From the reports of the Principal and the several Professors, the following synopsis is taken:

There have been one hundred and twenty-three students and pupils in the College and Grammar School during the past year; forty-one of whom have boarded with the Principal, who resides in the College building. Twenty-nine of these students have been twenty years of age and upwards, and forty-eight have been eighteen years of age. Sixteen years have been the average age of the pupils in the Grammar School. Only a very few pupils are received below twelve.

Of the five students in the second year's studies in Arts, Hutchison, who last year secured the Hon. A. T. Galt Scholarship, was ranked first. Of the four in the first year, Robinson was first, and Cook third.

There were seven matriculants ranked as follows in Classics:—Morrison, Miller, and S. A. Abbott, first; Thompson, second; A. J. Abbott, W. Watters, and H. Hethrington, third; and in Mathematics, Miller, Watters, Morrison, and A. J. Abbott, first; and S. A. Abbott, second.

In Surveying, H. C. Cleveland, P. L. S. (Quebec Board of Examiners), F. A. Cleveland, 3rd year, and F. C. Lawrence, 1st year.

Of students who had completed their general studies in this College, and who had during the past year finished their University professional course, were the three following:—J. H. Brownlow, M. D., Julius Leavitt, M. D., and E. R. Johnson, B. C. L.

Ten students had been engaged in teaching during the past year.

There are ample arrangements for the professional instruction of Students for Notaries Public or Provincial Land Surveyors, and also for the first year's reading in Medicine.

The students in the classes in Logic and Metaphysics presented the Rev. John McKay, their instructor, with a copy of the Library Edition of Worcester's Unabridged Dictionary, with an address of thanks for the able lectures given, without compensation, during the past session. Rev. Prof. Hubbert, A. M., Ph. D., Prof. of Natural Science, announced his offer of two prizes for the coming year, of ten dollars each, for the Best Botanical and Entomological collections, to be presented to the College; and also spoke of arrangements to give special practical attention to Mineralogy during the next session.

Prof. Duff, A. B., in making his report of the classes of Mathematics, addressed the students, commending much of their work, and giving some practical advice of the future.

The Alma Mater Society Lecturers during the past session were: Lord Aylmer, C. Dunkin, and W. H. Webb, M. P. P's.; the Rev. Messrs. Jeffrey, Gay, Duff, Frink and McKay; Profs. Hubert and Duff; Dr. Mackie, and Messrs. Dougall, Mackie, Wallace and Dickson, Esquires.

In the general report the following announcements were made:—The students, as is usual in this College, have enjoyed almost uninterrupted good health, and testimony of their good behaviour is borne by all acquainted with them. But one student had been dismissed for ill-conduct. The institution is non-denominational, and is now patron-

ized by all the Churches, Protestant and Catholic, the largest proportion being from the Church of England. Very great pains are taken with the religious training of the pupils,—regular attendance on Divine worship at their several Churches on the Sabbath, reading of Scriptures, praise and prayer twice a day in the family for all the residents, and Chapel Exercises daily for all the pupils. The Professors' and students' prayer meeting, once a week, is regularly maintained: most of the students are engaged in Sabbath Schools as teachers or pupils, and there is a Bible lesson of one hour every Monday, for all the students.

The Rev. Mr. Smith, (Church of Scot.) will take charge of the class in Moral Philosophy during the next session. There is a College Total Abstinence Society, of which many of the students are members. Very considerable pecuniary assistance had been received during the year from several benevolent gentlemen of means, in Montreal, by deserving students in straitened circumstances. Much good has been done in this way. The Galt perpetual Scholarship, (\$32,00) was obtained for the coming year by Mr. D. W. Morrison. Subscriptions and donations to aid in liquidating the College debt had been received as follows:—John Hethrington, Esq., \$100; Donald McLeay, Esq., \$100; T. S. Snayner, Esq., \$50; Joseph Bedard, Esq., \$50; Thomas Mackie, Esq., \$50; and Messrs. Levine and Hirsh, \$50.

Donations to the Library and Cabinet had been received from several gentlemen.

Students were specially advised to finish, if at all practicable, their course in Arts before entering upon their Professional studies in Law, Medicine and Theology, and the hope was expressed that ere long the necessary requirements for entrance into those faculties would be considerably increased. The unfortunately large number of Medical and Law students graduated annually, calls for this. This College has now such a staff of Instructors as that its students can take a special course in English, French, Classics, Mathematics and Science, or a complete course in Arts. Should the increased number of students demand it, an additional Professor will be appointed.

The pupils in the Grammar School receive special instruction also from the several Professors. Commercial, and other branches preparatory for the different departments of business, have particular attention.

While this Institution of Learning receives the greater part of its patronage from the Eastern Townships, there are many students in attendance from all parts of Lower Canada, and some from the Upper Province. It now presents its claim for government recognition and support, equal to the Church of England College in the Townships.

At the close of the exercises short addresses were made by the Rt. Hon. President, and by the Rev. Messrs. McKay and Smith; a vote of thanks to the Principal and Professors was passed; the National Anthem was sung; and after the announcement that the summer vacation extended to the first Thursday in September, the Doxology was sung, and the Rev. T. G. Smith pronounced the Benediction. *Montreal Gazette—abridged.*

## MONTHLY SUMMARY.

### EDUCATIONAL INTELLIGENCE.

—The General Medical Council of Education and Registration, now sitting at the College of Physicians, have resolved that a certain minimum standard of preliminary education shall be required of youths desiring to enter the medical profession. The subjects of examination which they propose are as follows:—English language, including grammar and composition; Arithmetic, including vulgar and decimal fractions; Algebra, including simple equations; Geometry, first two books of Euclid, Latin, including translation and grammar; and one of the following optional subjects: Greek, French, German, and Natural Philosophy. After 1869, Greek is to be a compulsory subject. The three years of grace are allowed in order that schoolmasters throughout the United Kingdom, having thus much notice, may take measures to prepare youths intended for the medical profession with some knowledge of Greek. This last addition to the compulsory subjects of preliminary examination was proposed by Sir D. J. Corrigan, and was much discussed, but adopted by a decisive majority. Sir Dominic Corrigan mentioned the case of a student who, being asked the meaning of the word physiology, said that it was "a sort of fungus." A list of educational bodies whose certificates will be received, has been prepared. The Council are now engaged in considering the draft Bill for amending the Medical Act, 1858, as approved by the Home Secretary. It is anticipated that the effect of the regulations now approved, requiring a more stringent test of preliminary education, will be to improve the standard of students entering the profession, though at the