

Pictou Academy or Classical and Theological School had been organized by the old pioneers of religious and educational enterprise in Nova Scotia.

Many years before, while King's College had been established by the Episcopalians at Windsor, a year or two before the Earl of Dalhousie came to the country, one of the most liberal of its many liberal patrons was George Munro, the millionaire publisher of New York, who, as a native of the Province, gave largely of his means, alike for the endowment of the institution as a whole, the endowment of several new chairs, and the payment of numerous bursaries, to encourage a larger attendance at the classes by students from all parts of Canada. There are now fully organized faculties in arts, science, law, and medicine, and the teachers in attendance at the convention had ample opportunity of examining the various halls and classes, the scientific apparatus, library, and museum. Many of the rooms and corridors were tastefully adorned with the various school exhibits—a collection of specimens of school work greatly enhanced by the school apparatus, exhibited by the various publishers from Toronto and elsewhere. The rooms, in some instances, were too small for the numbers in attendance at the various sections, and some inconvenience was especially experienced at the general meetings in the library from the fact that only about half of those in attendance could be accommodated with seats. The greatest credit, however, was due to the Rev. Principal Forrest and the college attendance for the manner in which he looked after the comfort of the members in attendance, and it was admitted on all hands that the meeting was one of the greatest educational gatherings ever held in the Maritime Provinces.

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The last convocation of Bishop's

College, Lennoxville, gave not a little significance to the efforts which have been put forth under Principal Adams' régime to raise the institution in the estimation of the community, and to promote its prestige as one of the three Universities of the Province. Bishop's College occupies a unique position among the educational institutions of Quebec, as its buildings certainly occupy one of the most picturesque sites that could have been selected for a college quadrangle. The grouping of buildings is a round, spacious quadrangle on a bit of rising, peninsular ground at the confluence of the Massawippi with the St. Francis, and, as far as the natural environment is concerned, there is every convenience for the development of the physique of the students in attendance as well as for the promotion of their health. There is excellent boating to be had on the rivers, and a splendid campus for the games of the students. In appropriating the halls and places of residence the same wholesome surroundings are to be observed. Around the quadrangle are arranged the Theological Hall, the main building of residence, the beautiful little chapel, the spacious buildings for the school, the Williams' wing, and the gymnasium. At the convocation there were bestowed several degrees, not only upon prominent men from abroad and from the other provinces, but on many of the "old boys," who had been maturing their scholarship or had attained some distinction in the walks of life which they had chosen. Two highly distinguished men who have no connection with the Anglican body received the degree of D.C.L., namely, Principal Grant, of Queen's University, Ontario, and Dr. Robert Lily, the encyclopædist, of New York. Bishop Potter, of New York, and the Bishop of New Hampshire were honored with degrees, as were also Dr. Tyles, the etymologist, Professor Scarth, Hon.