

— UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA COLLEGE—ANNUAL CONVOCATION.—The proceedings by which the academic year 1862-3 of the above institution was last week terminated, were of an unusually interesting character. On Tuesday evening, the 12th inst., a large and important meeting of the Alumni Association, in connection with the university, was held in University Hall. Professor Kingston, M.A., the President of the Association, was in the chair. The following is the result of the election, which was by ballot, of the officers for the ensuing year:—President—W. Kerr, Esq., M.A., Cobourg; Vice-Presidents—Thos. Holden, B.A., Toronto, and D. G. Sutherland, B.A., Hamilton; Secretary—A. H. Rayner, B.A., Cobourg; Treasurer—D. W. Dumble, B.A., Cobourg; Committee—Five graduates of Victoria College, residing at Cobourg.

THE CONVOCATION.—The essays delivered by the Graduates in Arts, both in the forenoon and the afternoon, were of the usual excellence. The Registrar of the University, Prof. Wilson, presented the graduates in arts to the President, and Dr. Berryman the graduates in medicine. The proceedings, both in the forenoon and afternoon, were opened by prayer. The following is the list of degrees conferred and prizes presented:—**B.A.**—Thomas Adams, Hamilton Fisk Biggar, John Burwash, John B. Clarkson, John Cartwright Dettlor, Wm. Moore Elliott, Chas. E. Hickey; Henry Hough, J. E. Howell, David Kennedy, William Henry Lowe, Wm. Franklin Metcalf, Wm. Fred. Morrison, Alfred McLatchie, Robt. Shaw, Wm. C. Washington, Wm. Watson, Richard Watson Williams, and John Ryerson Youmans. **M.A.**—*In course*: W. Beattie, B.A.; *Ad eundem*: Henry Homer Hutton; *Honorary*: Rev. Jas. Spencer. **D.D.**—*Honorary*: Rev. Wellington Jeffers. **LL.B.**—William McCabe.

M.D.—James W. Alway, Joseph V. Brynning, Isaac Wesley Burkholder, Chas. Chamberlain, George Forbes, John Fulton, Donald Jackson, Culling C. Knowles, Wm. H. Law, Alex. Mackeracher, Samuel P. May, Loftus R. MacJones, William Philp, Jay W. Schooley, Alexander C. Sinclair, Wm. E. Smith, and George J. L. Spencer.

HONORS IN ARTS.—Gold Medal—Thomas Adams; Silver Medal—John Burwash. *Scripture History*—Ryerson Prize—Josiah E. Rodgers; second prize—Edward Charlton. *Metaphysical Prize*—David Kennedy. *English Essays*—Webster Prize (1st)—John B. Clarkson; Hodgins Prize (2nd)—John Edward Ross. *Prizes in Medicine*—Gold Medal—John Fulton; Silver Medal—W. Philp. *Grammar School Prizes*—*Scripture History*: First in their respective classes—John S. Lark, Charles R. W. Biggar, and E. S. Washington.

ESSAYS.—“Mission of Thought,” by Thomas Adams; “Constituents of Greatness,” by John Burwash; “The Future of British North America,” by William E. Elliott; “Great Men as Types,” by C. E. Hickey; “Realities of Life,” by D. Kennedy; “Mystery,” by John R. Youmans; “Valedictory,” by Henry Hough.

The past session has been one of great success. About three hundred students have been in constant attendance, while, as far as we can learn, no university in this Province has had in one year a larger graduating class in arts. The Faculty of Law, established during the past year, though but in its infancy, has met with most encouraging success—nearly twenty having presented themselves for examination in the different years. The *Conversazione* was held on Wednesday evening; William Kerr, Esq., M.A., President of the Alumni Association, ably presided over the meeting. Appropriate remarks were made by the Rev. Dr. Nelles; Thos. Holden, Esq., Toronto; William Beatty, Esq., Thorold; and the Rev. W. C. Henderson, B.A., of Kingston.—*Corres. Christian Guardian.*

— CANADIAN LITERARY INSTITUTE, WOODSTOCK.—On the 25th ult., the Students of the Canadian Literary Institute, presented their respected Principal, the Rev. R. A. Fyfe, D. D., with a neat and costly service of plate. The gift was wholly unexpected, and the presentation took the reverend gentleman by surprise. This graceful act of personal good-will and esteem was accompanied by an address, from which we make the following extract:—“In conclusion, we earnestly desire that you may long be spared to sustain your present relation as Principal: that you may be ably sustained in the exercise of your high calling; and that, under God the great aims of which our noble institution is the exponent may be carried out, viz:—The mental and moral instruction of youth of both sexes, and the training of young men for the gospel ministry—interests of great moment to every lover of God and mankind, and of the utmost importance to the Baptist denomination throughout Canada.” In reply, Dr. Duffe, in justice as he said, to the interest which the students felt in the prosperity of the Institute, gave a rapid, but interesting detail of the various attempts which had been made at different times to establish a Baptist College in

Canada. In doing so, he dwelt upon the points of difference in the organization of those which failed, and the present successful one—the Canadian Literary Institute.—*Woodstock Times.*

— BELLEVILLE SEMINARY EXAMINATIONS.—The Winter Term of the Belleville Seminary having closed on Wednesday, the 8th instant, public examinations of the several classes were held on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday. A friend who was present at the examination informs us that the students acquitted themselves creditably, giving evidence in most cases of studious application on their part, as well as most careful training on the part of their teachers. One feature of the examination, which must have been apparent to all, was the entire absence of any thing like examining for the occasion. We believe that the system of teaching pursued is one in which full confidence may be placed. The Exhibition on Tuesday evening, which was under the care of the Literary Society. On Wednesday evening the Exhibition was very successful. The essays and orations were all original, and many of the pieces were of a high order of merit.—*Intelligencer.*

— THE COLLEGE OF ST. THERESE, in Lower Canada, has commenced the teaching of agriculture as a science and art. The college possesses a farm of five hundred acres, which is to be tilled by the students, part of the day being devoted to this labour and part to the course of instruction at the college. The full and thorough course extends over three years and the terms for board and tuition are placed at the surprisingly low figure \$72 a year. A complete course may be taken in one year if desired.

— LAVAL UNIVERSITY.—Thursday last being the two-hundredth anniversary of the founding of the Quebec Seminary, it was celebrated in an imposing manner by the Professors and Students of that establishment. The courtyard was gaily decorated with flags of the different nationalities suspended from the windows of the building. A beautiful arch was erected at the entrance leading from the market square, with rows of evergreen extending toward the main gate. The chapel was gorgeously decorated with flowers and paintings, several altars being erected at the sides in addition to the main one. At six o'clock in the morning, a grand high mass was sung in thanksgiving for the success of the Seminary founded 200 years ago by Mgr. Laval. During the afternoon the chapel and grounds were visited by hundreds of our citizens. In the evening a grand vocal concert took place in the lecture hall of the Laval University, which was crowded to suffocation.

— UNIVERSITY OF MCGILL COLLEGE.—The Annual Meeting of the Convocation was held on the 15th inst., in the William Molson Hall, of this College. Mr. Principal Dawson presided. The proceedings having been opened with prayer, Mr. W. C. Baynes, B.A., the secretary, read the minutes of the last convocation, which were approved. Wm. Basby Lamb Esq., B.C.L., was then elected Fellow for the Faculty of Law, for this year; T. W. Jones, Esq., M.D., Fellow for the Faculty of Medicine; and Brown Champlin, Esq., B.A., was elected Fellow for the Faculty of Arts. Rev. Dr. Leach then read the following list of Students in Arts to whom prizes and honours were awarded: *Degree of B. A.*—Norman William Trenholme, Sampson Paul Robbins, Lemuel Cushing, Thomas Fairbairn, Leonidas Heber Davidson, Charles Peers Davidson, Richard John Wicksteed, Elisha Joseph Fessenden, David Prescott Merritt, Frederick Lyman, David Ross McCord, John D. Clowe. *Graduates in Civil Engineering.*—George Edwards, Maurice Gaviller, John Lestock Reid.

HONOURS AND PRIZES. *Graduating Class.*—Chapman Gold Medal, for General Standing and First Rank Honours in Moral Philosophy and Rhetoric, Norman William Trenholme. Prince of Wales Gold Medal, for Mathematics and Natural Philosophy, Sampson Paul Robbins. Honours in Classics—First Rank Honours, Lemuel Cushing. First Rank Honours, Richard John Wicksteed. Honours in Moral Philosophy and Rhetoric—Second Rank Honours, Thomas Fairbairn, *Certificate in German, advanced course, Lemuel Cushing, *Certificate in German, Elementary Course.—*Students of the Third Year.*—Archibald Duff—First Rank General Honours; First Rank Honours in Mathematics and Natural Philosophy; —. McGregor—First Rank General Honours; Prize in Rhetoric; *Certificate in French. Alvan F. Sherrill—First Rank General Honours; First Rank Honours in Classics; Certificate in German John Alexander Bothwell—Second Rank General Honours; First Rank Honours in Rhetoric; Prize in Rhetoric for Essay; Prize in Zoology. George Austin Pease—Second Rank General Honours; First Rank Honours in Classics. John A. Muir—*Certificate in German. *Students of the Second Year.*—Robert Wardrop—First Rank General Honours; First Rank Honours in Mathematics; *Cer-

* Certificates are of the same value as prizes, in respect of honour.