

Committee—Col. Wm. Thompson, Alex. Proudfoot, Esq., and Messrs. Wm. R. Raynes, Arthur C. Koner, John Terry, Robert Smith, and Frederick Foster.

After the members had enrolled their names, the meeting was closed by the Chaplain reading the prayers appointed by the Constitution.

## SMITH'S FALLS—BRANCH UNION.

A meeting was held at Smith's Falls on Monday 28th July, to form a Branch of the Church Union.

James Shaw, Esq., having been called to the chair, briefly explained the object of the present meeting.

Moved by W. B. Carroll, Esq., seconded by Rev. J. B. Worrell.

"That an Association be established, to be called the Branch of the Church Union of the Diocese of Toronto, for the Mission of Smith's Falls, to be composed of members of the United Church of England and Ireland, within the said mission."

Moved by Alexander Matheson, Esq., seconded by Dr. Burritt.

"That James Shaw, Esq., be Chairman."

Proposed by Mr. John Carroll, seconded by Mr. W. Fowle.

"That Dr. Burritt be Vice-Chairman."

Proposed by Mr. John Williscroft, seconded by Mr. D. Franklin.

"That the Rev. J. B. Worrell be Chaplain."

Proposed by Mr. John Richey, seconded by Mr. Ferguson.

"That Mr. W. B. Carroll be Secretary."

Proposed by Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Best.

"That A. Matheson, Esq., be Treasurer."

Proposed by Mr. Elliott, seconded by Mr. Corbett.

"That Messrs. White, Franklin, Fowle, Best, and Ferguson, be Members of the Committee of Management."

Moved by Mr. White, seconded by Mr. Hillyard.

"That this Branch Union pledges itself to do all in its power to carry out the objects of the Church Union, as set forth in the first publication of the Parent Union."

Moved by Dr. Burritt, seconded by the Rev. J. B. Worrell.

"That this meeting believing the prosperity of a Christian country is mainly dependent on the maintenance of religion, and the diffusion of Christian knowledge among its community, considers the alienation of the Clergy Reserves to other than religious uses, calculated materially to retard the progress of religion in this Province, and to check the general prosperity of the country."

Moved by Mr. W. Carroll, seconded by Mr. White.

"That this meeting having heard of the declaration of the Hon. P. B. De Blaquier, that he has received communications from all parts of the Province, favourable to the Toronto University, expresses its decided abhorrence of all education not based upon the Holy Word of God, and in particular of the Education offered at the said godless University; and also its belief that within the limits of the Smith's Falls Mission, there is not one churchman who has not the fullest confidence in Trinity College, now being erected at Toronto."

Moved by Alexander Matheson, Esq., seconded by Mr. John Williscroft.

"That the Secretary be requested to forward to the Church and Statesman newspapers, a report of the present meeting."

Many excellent speeches were delivered, among which that of Mr. Matheson may be particularly mentioned. The gallant gentleman indignantly repelled the charge of Puseyism brought against the Church, and said that 52 years since he had been at the landing in Egypt, and therefore could recollect what the Church was. He could see no other change but that now she was rising "as a giant refreshed by sleep."

*Hinc illar lacrymæ!* He also stated that, having heard that the Ministry had come forward as most strenuous advocates of the voluntary principle, he paid them a visit, when at Toronto, soliciting subscriptions to erect a Church. Mr. Hincks was furious that any one should ask money for such a purpose, when they were labouring to reduce his salary. Mr. Lafontaine was the only one who subscribed—while Mr. Price and the rest stated they gave nothing to any Church!!

W. B. CARROLL, Secretary.

## From our English Files.

DEATH OF "DELTA."—Dr. Moir of Musselburgh, the well-known *Delta of Blackwood's Magazine*, died suddenly, at Dumfries, on the 11th ult. By all who knew him, and more especially by his fellow-townsmen, Dr. Moir was much beloved; and, at the urgent request of the inhabitants of Musselburgh, his funeral was a public one. He was 53 years of age, and first began to write for *Blackwood* in 1817. His published works are: "The Legend of Genevieve, with other Tales and Poems," in 1825; "Domestic Verses," in 1843; "Outlines of the Ancient History of Medicine, being a View of the Progress of the Healing Art among the Egyptians, Greeks, Romans, and Arabians," in 1831; and "Sketches of the Poetical Literature of the Past Half Century, in Six Lectures, delivered at the Edinburgh Philosophical Institution," just published. Dr. Moir has left behind him a widow and eight children.

DEATH OF MR. DYCE SOMBRE.—This gentleman, whose separation from his wife and the legal proceedings consequent thereon, have long made him a person of notoriety, expired on Tuesday evening, at his apartments on Davies-street. Mr. Dyce Sombre, who was educated in the native Oriental style, and came to this country from India about twelve years ago, after having been much fettered as a "lion," married, in the year 1840, a daughter of Earl St. Vincent, his separation from whom at an after period will be fresh in recollection. He attempted to enter public life by getting himself elected for Sudbury. He was soon, however, ejected from his seat on a petition which mainly contributed to the disfranchisement of that borough. The deceased was understood to be the son of a German adventurer late Begum Sumroo. All manner of wild and scandalous stories are afloat as to the life of this woman and the death of her husband. It seems not to be quite certain whether Mr. Dyce Sombre was the real or only adopted child; but, be that as it may, upon the death of his father, the Begum transferred her maternal affections, such as they were, and her immense wealth, to the son of the German, who was educated, it is said, by a Protestant Clergyman, although the old lady herself by turns professed herself a Catholic and a Mahometan—having actually built a cathedral and a mosque

In consequence of his death in a state of lunacy, his money in the funds, railway shares, and other property of the annual value of £11,000, will become divisible between Captain Trop and General Soldroli, the husbands of his two sisters, who are next of kin. An additional sum, producing 4,000 a-year, will also fall to their families on the death of Mrs. Dyce Sombre.

The *Tablet* says we have heard, on what we believe to be extremely good authority, though not from an official source, that his Holiness has filled up the five lately erected dioceses as follows:—To Southwark, Dr. Grant; to Plymouth, Dr. Errington; to Clifton, Dr. Burgess; to Shrewsbury, Dr. Browne; to Salford, Dr. Turner; to Nottingham, Dr. Hendren, translated from Clifton.

Dr. Cumming in a letter to the *Times*, proposes to retaliate on the Pope's proposal for building an Italian Church in London, and to test the sincerity of his recent charitable declaration, thus:—

"The project of the Pope is that of building a spacious church in the centre of London, in a fine position in one of the most majestic streets in the city, principally for the use of Italians, and thence of other foreigners as well as of the natives." This is very bold, very plain, and a very satisfactory answer to the apologetic explanations of the Papal rescripts poured out by Dr. Wiseman. But does it not suggest a very obvious duty? Let us start the project of building a spacious church in the centre of Rome, in a fine position, in one of the most majestic streets in the city, principally for the use of the English, and thence of other foreigners, as well as of the natives. I am not a member of the Church of England, but I propose that it be a cathedral church, with a thoroughly Protestant Bishop and presbyters; and I engage to raise £100,000, toward this noble project if undertaken by Christmas, 1851, and I doubt not thousands of similar offers will be made if the thing be set agoing."

At a recent meeting of the Cheltenham Bible Society presided over by the Vicar, the Rev. F. Close, the rev. gentleman attacked "the fine ladies of Cheltenham" in the following strain:—

"There were some very smart ladies who went to his church—ladies with beautiful pink bonnets and very fine ribbons (laughter), dressed in all sorts of finery, and some of the ladies were in the habit of coming out of his church and dropping into the plate little neatly folded packets done up in paper. (Laughter.) Now he might mention it as a statistical fact, that there was never found in any one of these little packets any of the current coin of the realm, more valuable than copper. (Loud laughter.) He did not suppose there were many guineas in that room to-night, but sovereigns would do just as well—only five per cent. off—and at all events, he hoped his hearers would follow the example of the poor Welsh girl, and not follow the example of the Cheltenham fine ladies, who spent so much money on their pretty pink bonnets that it was not to be expected that they would have anything left for charity. (Loud laughter and cheers.)"

The annual cricket match between the two Universities, terminated last week in favour of the Cantabs, who won in one innings by four runs, having scored the large number of 266.

The commemoration of Founders and Benefactors at Oxford, last week, passed off with great eclat, the only addition to the honorary degrees mentioned in our last, being Lieut.-Col. Chesney of the Royal Artillery. The Solicitor-General, Sir W. Page Wood, received, we are informed from a private source, anything but a flattering reception, the under-graduates of the University abhorring a Whig Government as nature does a vacuum. They also made their usual display of candour in expressing their opinions of public characters. According to the *Oxford Journal* the Under-graduates had no sooner taken their places, than they commenced what they consider their share in the business of the day, by giving a volley of cheers for 'the Queen,' and next for 'Prince Albert,' sufficiently testifying that 'the Throne of our Queen is an Englishman's heart.' Then followed a similar demonstration in favour of 'the Ladies,' in bonnets and dresses of every hue, and of every age and condition. Then ensued a series of demonstrations on which there was not such a unity of feeling, and the groans which saluted the names of Lord John Russell, Lord Palmerston, and the University Commission, evidenced in a striking degree that such personages and objects met with little or no sympathy in the Under-graduate gallery. A round of cheers for the Duke of Wellington, Lord Stanley, Lord John Manners, and Sir Robert Inglis, served to reunite all parties. The mention of the Bishops of London and Oxford, Mr. Gladstone, the Great Exhibition, and Mr. Cardwell, served to show that there was at least disunion in the camp to such a degree that it was difficult to say whether the 'eyes' or the 'noes' predominated, and if the Speaker of the House of Commons, who is practised in such matters, had been called on to give a decision, we are inclined to think that he would have found himself, as Brother Jonathan is wont to express himself, 'in a fix.' The most striking and significant demonstrations of approval, however, were in favour of the Bishop of Exeter, Dr. Pusey, Mr. Sewell, Mr. Keble, and Mr. Harriott, while to show a contrast more vividly, the name of Dr. Cumming, which immediately succeeded these, called forth unmistakable groans. The crews of the different colleges, and more especially of Oriel, which distinguished itself both upon and under the water on procession night, received their meed of approbation. The foreigners present, and in England, were vociferously applauded, and the appearance of Hina Araman, in his Fez cap in the area, was a signal for a hearty burst of applause, testifying that his residence amongst us had gained him many friends.

Cardinal Wiseman, according to the local *Chronicle*, met with a long and hideous groan. The *Herald* says—"The name of 'Dr. Pusey,' which followed next, was greeted with a simultaneous, hearty, and prolonged round of vociferous cheering." The Bishop of Exeter also received one of the most unanimous and well-sustained tributes of applause that were given throughout the whole proceedings. 'The University Commissioners' called forth a tremendous volley of hooting and groaning, mingled with only a few cheers. The name of 'Lord John Russell' was greeted with the same unequivocal marks of disapprobation, while that of 'Lord Stanley' called forth tremendous cheering. The cry of the 'Bishop of Argyle and the Scots Church' called forth a hearty round of applause. 'The Bishop of London' was one of the cries which called forth almost equally divided manifestations of applause and disapprobation. There was some division of sentiment with reference to 'Protection,' but the cheers had an overpowering majority. July 9.

It is proposed to exhibit the Great Glass Show House first, at one penny per head, and afterwards gratuitously.

Messrs. Smith and Son put up at the Auction Mart the extensive estate and domain of Hafod, the property and occasional residence of the late Duke of Newcastle. It comprises about 14,000 acres, and was situated between Shrewsbury, Rhayadar, and Aberystwith, being about twelve miles distant from the latter town. The lot, after a prolonged competition, was knocked down for £105,000.

On Tuesday the *Sherborne and Yeovil Mercury* issued its last paper, after an existence of a hundred and fifteen years.

The Baron Dudevant, husband of the famous romance writer, George Sand, has just died at a boarding-house in one of the small streets of the 12th arrondissement.—*Galignani*.

The commission named in Portugal to examine the reclamations of Don Pacifico have declared them to be entirely without foundation, and decided that if he did lose any papers at Athens, their value could not have exceeded £150.

The *Hindoo Intelligencer* announces the death of one of the seventeen wives of Dinnoonath Mokerjee, which melancholy event consequently leaves the said Mokerjee, the seventeenth part of a desolate widower.—*Calcutta Star*.

An old man, aged eighty-six, belonging to Strathglass, who had five sons, two daughters, and forty-two grandchildren, was recently married to a fair maid of thirty. One of the bridesmaids on the occasion was great grand-daughter to the woman who acted in that capacity at his first marriage, sixty years ago. But, to crown all, his forty-third grandchild was baptised by the same clergyman immediately after the marriage ceremony was performed.—*John O'Grady's Journal*.

A GENTLEMAN.—At an entertainment on board the American steamer *Lafayette*, last week, Captain Stoddart, the commander, in acknowledging a toast, said, "I will relate a little incident which will serve to show that if prejudice could have existed in my mind against Englishmen, it is now done away with. I was coming from Paris the other day, and had three young ladies with me. According to my calculations I could get to Liverpool with the money I had in my pocket, but when in London I found I had made a mistake of £5. It would have put me to great inconvenience to remain, but there was not a person I knew at the station, and so I told the directors to take my baggage off, because I had not money enough to pay my fare. Soon after I saw a gentlemanly looking man standing in the office, and presuming he was a passenger going to Liverpool, I put the question to him, 'No, sir,' he said; 'but can I do anything for you?' I told him I was short of £5 to pay my fare, and he put his hand into his pocket and gave me the money. He gave me his card; his name is Mr. G. W. Thompson, Gloucester Square, Hyde Park Gardens, London. It was a satisfaction to find such a man living. It was worth more than £5,000 to me; and, gentlemen, I propose the health of Mr. G. W. Thompson, of London."

A TRAVELLER LOST IN THE HIGHLANDS.—In September last, a genteel-looking young man, a stranger and supposed to be a tourist, about twenty-five years of age, and apparently about five feet ten inches in height, dressed in a black frock coat and shepherd's tartan trowsers, was seen wending his way towards a house on the north side of Lochern. A deep ravine, through which rushed impetuously at the time a swollen rivulet, had to be crossed before he could reach the domicile. The stranger did not appear at the dwelling, and it was conjectured he had gone in some other direction, until lately, when the remains of a man in a sadly decomposed state were found near the beach on the south side of the loch, with part of the flesh adhering to the bones, and remnants of the black coat and tartan trowsers covering the skeleton. It is now supposed that the unfortunate tourist had perished in attempting to cross the rivulet, that the body down by the stream, and, in course of time, drifted across the loch to the spot where it was ultimately found.—*Perthshire Courier*.

ORANGE INSTITUTION.—The Grand Lodge of the County of Antrim, resolved that it was inexpedient to have any public display on the 12th of July.

CHEAP TRAVELLING.—The London and Brighton Railway Company have announced an extraordinary cheap train from Portsmouth to London and back, a distance of nearly 200 miles for 4s., giving the excursionists eleven hours in London.

LORD ELLESMERE.—Lord Ellesmere has presented funds to the agents and clerks of his various establishments, to enable them to see the Great Exhibition. He has also invited them during their stay in town to visit his picture gallery, at Bridgewater House, St. James's.

LORD MEDWYN.—It was yesterday reported that this Learned Judge, who has been some time absent from Court, owing to ill health, had resigned.—*Edinburgh Witness*.

EXTRAORDINARY ACCIDENT.—On Tuesday an excursion train on the Great Western line brought up about 1,500 passengers from Gloucester, Stroud, and Cheltenham to the Great Exhibition. This line of railway between Stroud and Tetbury, runs up a steep incline of about five miles in length, terminating in a tunnel nearly two miles long, in some parts of which the gradients are as high as 1 in 75 or 30. The train, which consisted of twenty-three carriages, arrived at this incline in safety, and was propelled up it with some difficulty by the joint efforts of two powerful engines, but on its emerging from the tunnel on the London side it was discovered that eleven of the carriages were become detached from the train and remained behind. The utmost consternation was caused by this discovery, especially as it was known that the detached carriages must of necessity rush back down the incline at a fearful rate, and as their was only one guard to control their speed, it was feared that they would either be thrown down the embankment, which is here one hundred feet in depth, and be dashed to pieces, or that they would run into the up mail train, which was known to be following close behind.—Every precaution was taken to avert these calamities by sending the pilot engine on the down rails to overtake the runaway carriages, and give warning of their approach at the bottom of the incline. Very fortunately, as the pilot engine was proceeding down the incline, the mail train was met slowly ascending, and the engine driver having been warned of the danger, he immediately reversed his engine and backed his train down the incline, thus allowing the runaway carriages to descend upon him without any serious collision. This was very cleverly accomplished, and both trains arrived at the bottom of the incline in safety.

Taunton was recently "brilliantly illuminated" with gas from peat or turf—a substance abounding in the eastern part of Devonshire. The *Taunton Courier* states that the jet was of unusual brightness, and left no doubt of its decided claim to preference over the ordinary gaseous supply.

## Colonial.

## BILL.

## AN ACT TO INCORPORATE TRINITY COLLEGE.

WHEREAS it has been represented to the Legislature of this Province, that divers inhabitants of the said Province have used their efforts to establish a College in connexion with the united Church of England and Ireland, in the City of Toronto, under the style and title of Trinity College, and are engaged in erecting and establishing the same; and whereas it would tend greatly to advance and extend the usefulness of the said College and to promote the purpose for which it was established that it should be incorporated:—Be it therefore enacted, &c.

I. That there shall be, and there is hereby constituted and established at the City of Toronto, a body politic and corporate, under the name of Trinity College, which corporation shall consist of—Firstly: The Lord Bishop of Toronto, or in case of the division of the said Diocese, then the Bishops of any Dioceses into which the Diocese of Toronto may hereafter be divided. Secondly, the Trustees of the said Trinity College; and, Thirdly, the College Council of the said Trinity College, not less than three in number; which said Trustees and the Members of the said College Council shall be named in the first instance, by the Lord Bishop of Toronto, and shall, in the event of their death, removal from the Province, dismissal from office, or resignation, be replaced by other persons, to be named in like manner, or in such other manner as may from time to time be directed by any statute of the said College to be passed for that purpose, and so on continually forever.

II. And be it enacted, That such corporation shall have perpetual succession, and may have a common seal, with power to change, alter, break, and renew the same, when and as often as they shall think proper; and the said corporation may under the same name, contract and be contracted with, sue and be sued, implead and be impleaded, prosecute and be prosecuted, in all courts and places whatsoever in this Province, and shall have full power to make and establish such and so many rules, orders and regulations (not being contrary to the laws of the country or this Act,) as they shall deem useful or necessary, as well concerning the system of education in as for the conduct and government of the said College, and of a preparatory school connected with, or dependent on the same, and of the Corporation thereof, and for the superintendence, advantage and improvement of all the property moveable, or immovable, belonging to, or which shall hereafter belong to the said corporation; and shall have power to take, under any legal title whatsoever, and to hold for the said College, without any further authority, license, or letters of mortmain, all land and property moveable and immovable, which may hereafter be sold, ceded, exchanged, given, bequeathed, or granted to the said corporation, or to sell, alienate, convey, let or lease the same if need be, provided that the total yearly revenue from the property so acquired shall not at any time exceed the sum of Five Thousand pounds currency. And the said Corporation shall further have the right of appointing an attorney or attorneys, for the management of its affairs, and all other rights necessarily incident to a body corporate:—Provided always, that no rule, order or regulation which shall be made and established by the said Corporation in manner aforesaid, shall be of any force or effect, until the same shall have been sanctioned and confirmed by the said Lord Bishop, or Bishops as aforesaid.

III. And be it enacted, That all the property which shall at any time belong to the said Corporation, as well as the revenues thereof, shall at all times be exclusively applied and appropriated to the advancement of education in the said College, or a preparatory school connected with or dependent on the same, and to no other object, institution or establishment whatever.

IV. And be it enacted, That it shall be the duty of the said Corporation at all times when they may be called upon so to do by the Governor of the Province, to render an account in writing of their property, in which shall be set forth in particular the income by them derived from property held under this act, and the source from which the same has been derived, also the number of members of the said Corporation, the number of teachers employed in the various branches of instruction and the course of instruction pursued.

V. And be it enacted, That this Act shall be considered a Public Act, by all Judges, Justices of the Peace, and Officers of Justice, and by all other persons whomsoever, and shall be judicially taken notice of, without being specially pleaded.

VI. And be it enacted, That this Act shall not extend to weaken, diminish, or extinguish the rights and privileges of Her Majesty, her heirs and successors, nor of any other person or persons, body politic or corporate, excepting only such rights as are hereby expressly altered or extinguished.

On Wednesday afternoon last, a number of ladies and gentlemen met in the Rechabite Hall, Great St. James Street, for the purpose of graciously presenting a service of plate to John Leeming, Esq., as an acknowledgement of his valuable services in the office of Secretary to the Industrial Exhibition held in this city in October last. The service consisting of a tea and coffee pot, sugar basin, cream jug, and an oval tray, was manufactured by Messrs. Savage & Lyman, gold and silversmiths, Notre Dame Street, and has been much admired, both for the tastefulness of the design, and the superiority of the workmanship, proving that Montreal is making rapid advance in artistic skill. The Hon. George Moffatt addressed Mr. Leeming in a few appropriate remarks, to which Mr. L. replied at some length, in a speech characterized by great modesty and good sense. In the evening a number of gentlemen entertained Mr. Leeming at dinner.—*Montreal Courier*.

NEW BRUNSWICK.—It is rumoured that there will probably be a short Session of the Legislature during the present summer or autumn. This will, however, depend on the action of the Legislatures of Canada and Nova Scotia, on the Railway question. The New Brunswickers are looking hopefully to the realization of a project on foot by which St. John's will be made an intermediate port of call, for steam vessels plying between the coast of Ireland and the United States.

A party of volunteers for service in the Royal Canadian Rifle Corps, composed of men belonging to the regiments stationed at Halifax, sailed from that port in the brig *Queen of the Isles*, for Quebec, on the 21st instant.

It is stated by the *Montreal Courier*, "on good authority" that Thackeray, the eminent and popular writer intends to visit this country. His object, we believe, is to deliver some of his public Lectures, for which he has long been celebrated.