

of arts. The Principal announced that Dr. Lavell had been appointed to the vacant chair of the faculty of medicine, after which Dr. Stewart made known the hours of attendance at the classes in this department. The proceedings terminated with a benediction by the Rev. Principal.—See page 6.

— **SCOTTISH UNIVERSITY AT QUEBEC.**—The *Canadian* alludes in the following terms, to Dr. Morrin's munificent donation to the St. Andrew's Society:—"At the celebration of St. Andrew's day—the patronal festival of the Scotch—on Friday last,—Mr. Cook made mention of a handsome donation from Dr. Morrin. This generous citizen, one of the most esteemed as well as the most eminent medical men of this city, has placed at the disposal of the Rev. Dr. Cook, Dr. Smith, and James Dean, Esq., a property valued at £11,000 or £12,000 for the purpose of founding a Protestant College, and of making ameliorations to the building occupied by the English High School in this city. The desire of the donor is that the above named gentlemen make application to the Provincial Legislature as soon as possible to obtain the passing of an act incorporating certain persons named in the deed as directors of the projected institution, and authorizing them to act in accordance with its dispositions. Although the new college is to be under the management of the Scottish Church, of which Dr. Morrin is also a member, it will nevertheless be open to students of all religious denominations, without distinction! We may be permitted to add that this munificent act on the part of Dr. Morrin is more than sufficient to earn for him the gratitude of the public, and above all of his co-religionists."

— **MCGILL COLLEGE UNIVERSITY.**—Great alterations have of late been made in McGill College, Montreal. Lecture rooms capable of accommodating three hundred students have been erected.

— **THREE RIVERS COLLEGE.**—The establishment of the Three Rivers College [says the *Inquirer*] has been quite a success, over eighty students having entered the first week, and fresh additions are daily taking place. Most of the Professorships are filled—we believe ably—and, as the fees are remarkably low, this institution cannot fail of success.

— **LOWER CANADA FRENCH SCHOOL READERS.**—In addition to a series of Protestant and Roman Catholic school text-books, authorized by the Council of Public Instruction for Lower Canada. The Council has resolved on publishing a series of French Readers, and has entrusted the Hon. the Superintendent of Schools, the care of preparing them, which task he has consented to fulfil without any remuneration. He is to be aided in the discharge of this important duty by Mr Joseph Lenoir, of the Educational Department, and by Messrs. Ossaye and Perrault, to whom the articles on agricultural subjects are confided.

— **PRINCE OF WALES' LOWER CANADA NORMAL SCHOOL PRIZES.**—The Superintendent of Education for Lower Canada having laid before the Council a letter from his Excellency the Governor General, informing him of the liberal gift made by His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales of a sum of \$800 for prizes to be given in the Lower Canada Normal Schools, the Council passed the following resolutions:—1. *Resolved*,—That this Council acknowledges with deep gratitude the liberality which His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales has been pleased to extend to the Normal Schools of Lower Canada, in placing a sum of two hundred pounds in the hands of His Excellency the Governor General, to be distributed as prizes in these schools. 2. *Resolved*,—That it is the opinion of the Council, that this sum should be permanently invested, so as to form with the interest a prize in each school, to be called "The Prince of Wales' Prize." 3. *Resolved*,—That this prize should be equal in amount to one-third of the interest on said sum, for each school, to be paid to the most successful competitor at the examination for Model School Diplomas; provided always that for moral conduct and application to study he shall have been set down as entitled to the highest grade of merit, in both Semi-Annual "Reports of Progress;" and also entitled to the highest grade of excellence, for the following branches, in the last "Report of Progress:—"Religious Instruction, Writing, Reading, Grammar, and Spelling in his vernacular idiom, Arithmetic, Book-Keeping, Geography, History of Canada, the Art of Teaching, and Teaching in Model Schools." He should also be classed by said Reports at least in the second grade of excellence, for all other branches, with the exception of "Gymnastics, Drawing, and Music, vocal or instrumental," for which this proficiency should not be required of him. 4. *Resolved*,—That if no one pupil fulfil the necessary conditions, the sum accruing to the school for the year should be deposited in a Savings' Bank by the Superintendent, and when it shall have amounted

to one hundred pounds, be placed at interest, together with the original principal, so as to increase the annual prize. 5. *Resolved*,—That the Superintendent should be authorized to cause bronze medals to be struck, to serve as testimonials to the pupils taking the prize.—*Lower Canada Journal of Education.*

BRITISH AND FOREIGN.

— **THE PRINCE OF WALES AT OXFORD.**—The Prince of Wales has made a donation of £50 towards the funds of a debating society in Oxford, of which he is a member, and, as an indication of his character and tastes, the appropriation of the money is encouraging. If the Prince is ever to shine as a speaker, the present is the time for cultivating the faculty, and a debating society in Oxford the exact place for bringing out his powers. An assemblage of this kind, says the *European Times*, is a mental gymnasium, where the intellectual muscles are developed by exercise, and where mind is held to be higher than rank. Even a Queen's son must work hard in such an arena to hold his own. Perhaps it is to be regretted that the Prince, before he proceeded on his western tour, did not avail himself of the facilities for public speaking which this Oxford debating club afforded. Had he done so, he would have left a still more favorable impression on the multitudes with which he came in contact, and perhaps it is the consciousness of his short-comings in this respect that has induced him to open his purse with a view to exertion hereafter in a field in which he desires to excel. The cup given by the Prince of Wales, to be shot for by the members of the Oxford University Rifle Corps, has been gained by Mr. T. Lee Warner, scholar of Trinity College. His Royal Highness the Prince Consort, Chancellor of the University of Cambridge, being pleased to give annually a gold medal for the encouragement of English poetry, the vice-Chancellor gives notice that the prize will be given this year to such resident undergraduate as shall compose the best poem on "The Prince of Wales at the Tomb of Washington." N.B.—The exercises are to be sent in to the vice-Chancellor on or before March 31, 1861, and are not to exceed two hundred lines in length.

— **THE PRINCE OF WALES.**—The *Oxford Chronicle* says:—"It is probable that his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales will remain at Frewen Hall, Oxford, until the middle of December, when his academical connection with this University will terminate. It is understood that the heir apparent will go to Cambridge in January, and will become a member of Trinity College.

— **WELLINGTON COLLEGE.**—The first examination of Wellington College took place lately. The Prince Consort was present. After an introductory anthem, Master Boughey, the head prefect of the school, stepped forward on the platform, and began the recitations with a portion of Mr. Tennyson's well-known ode on the death of the late Duke of Wellington. After the recitations, the Rev. Mr. Benson, the head master, proceeded to award the Queen's medal, which is to the school in point of honour what the Victoria Cross is to the United Services. The following extract from the statute will show the object for which this prize was established—"Her Majesty would wish, by establishing this prize, to hold up to the admiration of the students, and to their emulation as far as they are capable of emulating such virtues, the great qualities of the hero and statesman in whose honour and to whose memory the college has been instituted. It is not beyond the power of anybody to exhibit cheerful submission to superiors, unselfish good fellowship with equals, independence and self-respect with the strong, kindness and protection to the weak, and a readiness to forgive offences towards himself, and to conciliate the differences of others, and, above all, fearless devotion to duty, and unflinching truthfulness. He who displays all, or any of these qualities, will have so far trod in the steps of the great Duke." Amid the hearty applause of his comrades and of the whole assembly Master Boughey was called up to receive the medal by the head master, who in a few brief words highly complimented him upon the good conduct which he had always exhibited, and upon the great assistance which he had given the masters in forwarding the discipline and organization of the school. At the conclusion of the speech his Royal Highness the Prince Consort presented the medal, expressing at the same time a hope that the success which had marked the opening for his career might attend him through life. The medal, designed, as we were informed, by the Prince Consort himself, bore on one side the head of the present Majesty; on the other the simple motto, "Duty towards God and man" occupied the centre, encircled by the words, "In honour of Arthur, Duke of Wellington." Various other prizes were awarded. The number of