

These books, carefully preserved, will ultimately collect to themselves thousands upon thousands of companions, until the Public Library of Toronto shall become a distinguished portion of the history of a city.

By the appointment of officers for the present year, and the Report of the Council, which will be found to contain all the information which can be desired respecting the Society's transactions last year.

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REPORT. The Council of the Toronto Athenaeum beg to lay before its Members a statement of their proceedings during the period for which they were elected to represent its interests.

The principal objects to which we have directed their attention, as being most likely to conduce to the permanence and usefulness of the Institution, viz., the formation of a Public Library, has they are happy to say, been accomplished to a considerable extent; nearly 300 volumes of valuable Standard Books are now on the shelves of the Society, to which many more are expected shortly to be added.

In achieving this result, much must be attributed to the exertions of one of our members, J. F. Saxton, Esq., whose success in England, having given a sanction to the Society, which it might have been difficult otherwise to have secured.

It is unknown, perhaps, to some of us, that we are indebted to a considerable portion of our funds to an unsuccessful effort made in 1841, when a few gentlemen, anxious to redeem this City from the reproach of being a "bookless town," exerted themselves to form an Association, for the express purpose of supplying that want, but were compelled to desist from the attempt, after having succeeded in collecting a sum of £200 for the purpose, which was left in the hands of Jno. Cameron, Esq., cashier of the Commercial Bank.

On an application made to our Secretary, the Corporation of this City have granted to this Institution the use of rooms in the New Market Buildings; those rooms, however, were found to be inconvenient for your use, and a subsequent application was made for the rooms in which we now sit, being more suitable, which has been complied with.

With respect to the 17th Section of your laws, requiring the Council to form a Museum as soon as possible, it is recommended that an application be made to the Corporation, at its next meeting, for a portion of the collection made during the Geological Survey now in progress, to be placed in the custody of this Society, under the control of the Corporation; that the latter body be requested to sanction such application.

By this means, if successful, a Museum will be at once commenced in this City, which will be of great value as long as the town itself, and to become an object of interest to travellers and men of science from all parts.

The regular meetings of the Society for Literary and Historical purposes have been held during the present Session, and have been productive of much satisfaction to those who have borne a part in the proceedings. Many excellent Essays have been read, proving that the opportunity is alone wanting to elicit talent among us of a high order.

REPUBLICAN SCHOOL BOOKS. To the Editor of the Standard. Sir,—The Education of the youth of this Province being a subject of deep interest to all your readers, I was pleased to see a portion of the last Standard occupied with a discussion of the System of instruction pursued at the Model School, established at St. Thomas, in the most efficient manner; altogether, the ONTARIO MILLS WOOLLEN FACTORY is a most pleasant spectacle to look upon for all who feel an interest in the progress of agriculture in Canada as a dependency of the State.

THE LAST OF THE FALL FLEET.—The schooner Louise, Capt. Taylor, left Port Stanley on her downward trip for Kingston on the 14th of November, with a cargo of wheat and flour; and on her return, she shipped a fair and valuable cargo of merchandise for the merchants of Port Stanley, St. Thomas, and London, and sailed from Kingston on the 20th November.

"And the said County Superintendent shall have power to make and enforce any regulation he may see fit to make for the internal administration of such schools." This extract proves conclusively, that the County Superintendent has other means than that of a "gradual process of persuasion" to effect a change of books.

"In the United States there is no nobility; every citizen is equal in civil and political rights; the son of a monarch is equal in rank to the peasant; the noble is not distinguished from the poor by his rank, but by his talents and his industry."

United States. We take the following from the report of the debates in Congress published in the Washington Intelligencer. Our opinion of it is, that it is decidedly the richest thing of the kind we have yet seen.

Canada and the United States.—At all events, we of this Province thinking Providence for all that full measure of rational freedom which we enjoy, have no doubts or differences on this matter, but are prepared to stand forth as one man in its defence.

POTATOES.—A full meeting of the Agricultural Society attended the summons of the Chairman, Mr. Wm. Ferguson, yesterday afternoon, at Mr. John McLean's Inn, Barriefield, to take into consideration, and to give replies to the following Queries propounded by the Home Government:

1. Were the Potatoes in the Province generally attacked by a disease which destroyed in some instances the substance of the roots in the winter of 1843, 4, 5?

2. Did the Potatoes which were sown when dug up remain sound; and were any means of averting the corruption of the roots after it had been taken out of the ground, found effectual?

3. Was it found that Potatoes and other vegetable crops had been attacked by the same disease? Were any means of preventing the recurrence of the Potato disease, in successive years found effectual?

REVEREND EASTERN CLERICAL SOCIETY. Reverend Brethren,—You are hereby respectfully informed, that the next Meeting of the Association is appointed to be held (D. V.) at Pakenham Mills, Friday 18th and 19th, 1846.

ORDERS FOR ENGLAND. H. & W. ROWSELL are now making up their ORDERS for BOOKS, &c., to come out from England by the early Spring Vessels, and will continue to send by every Steamer during the season.

ANNALS FOR 1846. FISHER'S Drawing-Room Scrap Book, £1 15 0. The Keepsake, edited by the Countess of Blessington, 1 16 3.

MRS. OR MISS MELVIN. If either of the above-named Ladies will call at the Office of Henry E. Nicolls, Notary, Toronto City, Canada West, at any time between the 1st and 15th of January, 1846, and inform us of the residence of either of the above-named Ladies, they will receive a reward.

TO ARCHITECTS AND OTHERS. THE FOLLOWING PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS in execution of a BRICK CHURCH in this City. Twenty Pounds will be paid for the Plan approved of. Plans to be delivered by the first day of March approved of.

UPPER CANADA. CHURCH OF ENGLAND DIOCESAN PRESS. THE STOCKHOLDERS in this Association are requested to pay into the Office of the Secretary, on or before the 10th day of January next, the amount of their respective shares, on or before the 10th day of January next.

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SALE BY PUBLIC AUCTION, ON Monday, the Second day of March next, WILD LANDS, CLEARED FARMS, HOUSES, TOWN LOTS, &c. &c.

TO CAPITALISTS. TO BE SOLD, that excellent WATER MILL, and FARM PROPERTY, BRONTE MILLS, in the Gore District, consisting of a Woolen Factory, Grist Mill, Saw-Mill, and Dealings, with 350 acres of Land.

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NOTICE. THE Subscribers, having resumed the active pursuit of the profession, hereby acquaint the public, that he has opened an Office in KING STREET, between the Church Office and that of the Montreal Bank in this town, where he will be happy to attend to the business of any his old or new clients, who may be desirous of intrusting to his management.

BIRTHS. At Bradford, on the 14th inst., the wife of Wm. Muirhead, Esq., of a daughter. On the 2nd inst., at Ness Side Mills, Hamilton, Mrs. Donald McTavish, of a daughter. On the 17th inst., at Peterboro', the lady of G. B. Hall, Esq., of a daughter.

DIED. On Wednesday the 17th inst., at Charlottetown, P.E.I., at an advanced age, John Frederick Holland, Esq., late Barrack Master and Ordnance Storekeeper of the Island. The deceased was the eldest son of the late Samuel Holland, Esq., Surveyor General of Canada, and was the only surviving member of a numerous family.

NOTICE. At Bonny, in May last, universally esteemed and regretted, Lieut. Col. Reginald Ransell Macdonald, K.H., Deputy Assistant General to the Queen's Troops serving in that Presidency, and afterwards to the Government of India, and afterwards called to India, and was present with the Army under gallant officers in the expedition to Guazaco, in the public capacity of which his name was honorably mentioned.

LETTERS received during the week ending Thursday, Jan. 22. The Bishop of Montreal, Rev. H. Paton, Esq. (G.), Rev. H. J. Gassett, H. Rowse, Esq.; Lord Bishop of Toronto; Rev. F. D. Faugier, Angus Melville Esq.; Rev. J. G. Crookshank; Rev. J. Drush Esq.; Rev. M. R. Colville; Hon. Jas. G. Gledhill; Rev. W. H. Ripley; Rev. J. Gunn, ad. sala.