

labours of the numerous school teachers, who receive their instruction at this Institution. The exhibition was most creditable to masters and pupils, and there were those present who cheerfully bore testimony to the merits of both—foremost among whom we may name, the Honorable CHIEF JUSTICE ROBINSON, who delivered a very neat address, in which he adverted, in appropriate terms, to the advantages of the institution, alluding to the amount of knowledge acquired in so short a period, and the influence which it must necessarily produce on the future happiness of the pupils, and those to whom, in their capacity of school teachers they will be afterwards called upon to communicate it in turn in their several localities. The Chief Justice took occasion to express himself in the highest terms of praise of the Masters of the Normal School; and he also paid a well-merited compliment to Dr. Ryerson, for his industry, perseverance and success, in introducing so very valuable a system into the Province.

The Hon. H. J. BOULTON, also, delivered a well-timed and satisfactory address.

At the close of the examinations the pupils, male and female, read addresses from themselves to the masters, expressive of their gratitude for the care and attention with which their studies were directed during the Session. To these Mr. Hind (in the absence of Mr. Robertson) responded, very affectionately and appropriately.

Dr. Ryerson delivered a short address; and the proceedings were closed with the blessing, pronounced by the Rev. Professor Esson, of Knox's College.

The public attendance during the examinations was not large until yesterday afternoon, when the attendance was very numerous; but, during the whole, there were many ladies and gentlemen present, who manifested a deep interest in the proceedings. On the platform, besides the members of the Board of Education, we observed the Lord Bishop of Toronto, the Hon. the Chief Justice, the Hon. H. J. Boulton, M.P.P., the Revs. Drs. Richey and Burns, the Revs. Professors Esson and Rintoul, Mr. Principal Barron, (Upper Canada College;) Messrs. Corbould and Neale, (Yonge Street;) the Rev. Mr. Ardagh, (Barrie;) the Rev. Mr. Geddes, (Hamilton;) the Revs. Mr. Kerwin, Meyerhoffer, Davis, and John Ryerson; Mr. Allan, (Superintendent of Schools, Wellington District;) Peter Brown, Esq., Mr. Crombie, Home District School, &c. &c. &c.

The following statement of the attendance, &c., at the Provincial Normal School, was read at the opening, by Dr. Ryerson:—

Number of students in attendance during the present session, 126; females, 22; males, 104; number of those who have taught schools, 98; paid pupils, 5; number in attendance at present, 70. Left in order to take charge of schools, 22; left on account of sickness, 14; dismissed for incapacity, 7; dismissed for improper conduct, 2; left for want of means, 3; left on account of circumstances over which they had no control, 3.

We cordially unite, with all well-wishers of this noble Province, in a fervent prayer for the prosperity of the Provincial Normal School, and all concerned with it, and for the general diffusion of the advantages which must of necessity flow from its successful establishment and conduct, and its progressive advancement and increase.