

P R E F A C E.

THERE is an inherent value in history, even in local history; hence it has been thought wise to give the Ottawa Collegiate Institute a historical standing if possible, and thus to enshrine it more thoroughly in the minds and hearts of its many ex-pupils. Why should we not cherish the memory of our old schools? England keeps green the memory of her great schools, such as Winchester, Westminster, Cheltenham, Clifton, Marlborough, Rugby and Eton. History is being made rapidly in young Canada and will be rapidly forgotten, unless some records of her institutions are kept. In this Collegiate Institute it is to be regretted no records have been kept.

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It was impossible in a volume of this size to deal exhaustively with all questions of interest in the history of the School, therefore a selection had to be made. It would have been well if more space had been given to the work of many teachers—other than the Head-Masters—who have given good service to the School during portions of the sixty years; in this respect the book fails. Among the illustrations it was desirable to include the photographs of many of the illustrious ex-pupils of the School, but the numbers were so great that it was utterly impossible to make a selection that might not give offence. Those that are given are officials, with