

26th, 28th, 29th. Snow 2nd, 5th, 6th, 10th, 12th, 19th, 20th. Rain, 26th, 29th. The month calm, with the exception of one or two stormy days. The coldest day was in 1866, 8th January, temp.—19°.5; 1867, 31st January and 12th December, —9°.9; 1868, 3rd February, —18°.5; 1869, 5th March, —8°.4; the 22nd and 23rd also went below zero, —5°.9. Indications of a late spring predominate.

PEMBROKE.—Lunar halo, 18th, 22nd. Shooting star near Z, course W to E, at 9 P.M., 31st. Wind storms, 4th, 9th, 14th, 20th, 22nd, 23rd. Slight fog, 18th. Snow, 2nd, 3rd, 4th (air thick with snow), 5th, 7th—10th, 12th—14th, 22nd, 30th. Rain, 26th, 29th, 30th. Nearly all the great snow storms have been less severe in this vicinity than farther down the Ottawa, and still less so farther up the river. The snow, however, has been very deep throughout the Ottawa Valley, and much square timber and a very great quantity of saw-logs will be left in the woods, owing to the difficulty of forwarding hay, &c. The Brockville and Ottawa R. R. was several times blocked up with snow, and since its being cleared the *cabots* have been a great obstacle to teaming. The ranges of temperature have been unusually great this month, and the snow melts very slowly. Small pox very prevalent in Pembroke and the surrounding country.

PETERBOROUGH.—Parheliion thin narrow strati north and south of sun, at 7.51 A.M.; very faint prismatic colors lasted for a considerable time. 16th, small solar halo at 1 P.M. 17th, large solar halo at 1 P.M.; narrow arch of faint auroral light at 9 P.M. close over N.H. 22nd, well defined solar halo at 1 P.M. 29th, robins first observed; they came quite suddenly about 8.25 A.M. in a flock of about thirty. 31st, arch of auroral light, stretching from NNW to NNE about 9.47 P.M., and for about 15 minutes afterwards occasionally spindles and small streamers appeared at E end of arch, which gradually disappeared, lights still remaining. Fogs, 12th and 17th. Snow, 2nd, 3rd, 5th, 6th, 10th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 19th, 20th, 22nd, 23rd. Rain, 26th, 27th, 29th, 30th. The low temperature—19°.6, reported on 1st, occurred on Saturday night, 27—28th February.

SIMCOE.—Storms of wind, 22nd, 30th, 31st. Snow, 1st, 6th, 10th, 12th, 13th, 19th, 22nd. Rain, 26th, 29th, 30th. Much cold and stormy weather this month. At 4 A.M., 18th, brilliant aurora, extending over one-third of the heavens.

STRATFORD.—On 20th, large lunar halo at 10 P.M. 24th, small colored lunar halo at 9 P.M. Storms of wind, 6th, 14th, 22nd, 30th. Fogs, 26th, 27th, 28th, 29th, 30th. Snow, 1st, 2nd, 6th, 7th, 10th, 12th, 19th, 22nd, 30th. Rain, 26th, 27th, 29th. Robins and other spring birds, 27th.

WINDSOR.—On 3rd, rainbow at 5.10 P.M. 16th, meteor from NE towards N. 18th, very large lunar halo. 20th, very large lunar halo. 21st, very large and distinct lunar halo. 24th, lunar halo. 26th, thaw carried off almost all the snow, and since 27th a little steamer has been plying between Detroit and Amherstburg, 18 miles distant. Large quantities of floating ice passing down the river. 28th, at 8 P.M. distinct and well defined lunar rainbow observed for 10 minutes; lightning, thunder and rain. Wind storms, 5th, 6th, 13th, 14th, 30th. Fogs, 9th, 19th, 26th, 27th. Snow, 2nd, 5th, 6th, 10th, 12th, 15th, 19th, 22nd. Rain, 25th, 28th, 30th.

## IX. Educational Intelligence.

—VICTORIA UNIVERSITY.—The commencement exercises of this University took place in Cobourg this week, and proved highly satisfactory to the friends and the Institution. Indeed, it seems that these annual gatherings of friends from all parts of Canada proved more interesting every year. On Sunday evening, the Baccalaureate sermon was delivered by the Rev. W. M. Punshon, M.A., President of the Wesleyan Conference. The text was 1st Corinthians 12 chap. 31st verse—"But covet earnestly the best gifts, and yet show I unto you a more excellent way." He showed that however good the best gifts, such as great intellectual powers, wealth, fame, &c., may be, still spiritual grace and Christian charity were superior to all, the former enduring only for a time, while the latter are eternal. On Monday evening, the same gentleman delivered his celebrated lecture on the "Huguenots." The large audience present were held in the most rapt attention for an hour and a half, several of his incomparable delineations of character eliciting the most enthusiastic bursts of applause. On Tuesday afternoon at three o'clock, the annual address to the Alumni was delivered by the Rev. A. H. Reynar, M.A., Professor of Modern Language and English Literature, who chose for his subject the Relation of the Beautiful to the Good: It was an exceedingly finished composition. At the close of this address, the annual meeting of the Alumni Association was held. The election of officers for the coming year resulted as follows:—President, Rev. W. M. Punshon, M.A.; 1st Vice-President, J. J. McLaren, LL.B.; 2nd Vice-President, Dr. Brouse; Secretary, H. Hough, Esq., M.A.; Treasurer, J. W. Kerr, Esq., M.A.; Committee, Alumni resident in Cobourg; Lecturer for 1870, Dr. Caniff. At eight o'clock, between sixty and seventy gentlemen, members of the University and Alumni, sat down to a sumptuous dinner, provided by mine host of the Pauwel House. After doing ample justice to the eatables,

the intellectual entertainment was commenced by the chairman (Mr. Punshon) proposing the usual loyal toasts, prefacing each with some eloquent remarks most appropriate to the subjects. A number of other toasts, suitable to the occasion, were proposed and responded to by the various gentlemen present. The Convocation was held in Victoria Hall on Wednesday afternoon at three o'clock. It is estimated that over a thousand people were present. Many had come from the Province of Quebec, and some from New Brunswick, while all parts of Ontario were represented. The following degrees were then conferred:—B.A.—Joseph A. Clarke, John W. Raveill, Thomas Colling, Moses McPherson, John Moore, Edwin S. Washington, John B. Wass. M.A.—Alfred H. Reynar, B.A., Hugh Johnston, B.A., Charles W. Stickle, B.A., A. R. Bain, B.A., Abraham Devitt, B.A., P. E. Moyer, B.A., Jonathan Pettett, B.A., Alexander Hardie, B.A. *Ad Eundem*—Asa F. Wallbride, B.A., of Queen's College, Kingston. LL.B.—David Ashby, Charles Barsalou, Stanislas Cote, Alexis Dessaut, Joseph Daigneau, Oscar Desrosiers, John W. Frost, B.A., H. Gingras, Hermidas Jeanoote, Jos. Prime Mathieu, Pierre A. Mathieu, J. Alderic Ouimet, Pierre Poupard, Henri Pepin, Richard Quintal, A. A. Stockton, B.A., F. Villeneuve. M.D.—W. Anderson, G. Archambault, S. Ambuchon, J. M. Aylesworth, W. Bald, E. Boissy, R. P. Boucher, G. Brown, F. Butler, J. A. Carroll, T. Carter, C. L. Coulter, E. H. Dansereau, W. Ferron, P. O'Keefe, J. M. Platt, E. Plaute, J. A. A. Peltier, L. Proulx, J. Russel, W. B. Towler, G. B. Frazer, W. W. French, E. Gervais, P. Givoux, A. Graham, G. Halley, J. Hanley, W. T. Harrison, W. W. Hepworth, W. Henderson, E. Hurtubise, T. Kiernan, J. J. Kingston, S. Sautoine, G. Stewart, P. H. Spohn, A. Tremblay, F. X. Trudel, W. W. Turver, A. S. Kirkland, E. Lachapelle, W. Lamontagne, J. Landot, A. Larose, W. B. Lindsay, W. M'Camus, T. Marchesseault, A. Munier, D. Mitchell, A. Moreau, P. B. Mignault, G. A. Neal, R. Ough, J. B. Tanguay, J. H. Watson, J. H. Webb, J. H. Widdifield, J. W. Wood. After this, Dr. Berryman addressed the medical graduates. The following prizes were then presented:—Prince of Wales Gold Medal—Joseph Adam Clarke. Prince of Wales Silver Medal—John William Raveill. The Ryerson Prize—Kenneth Dingwall. The Webster Prize—John Moore. The Hodgins Prize—Thomas Colling. The Cooley Prize—A. L. Russell. The Punshon Prize, founded by W. Kerr, Esq., M.A.—First in Elocution and Composition—John Moore. *Literary Association Prizes*—First English Essay—James Allen, Allan Bowerman, Kenneth Dingwall—*Equal*. First in Elocution—Thomas Colling. Second in Elocution—John Petch. Mr. Punshon was then called upon for an address, and, as usual, made a splendid speech. He gave a brief sketch of the past history of the College, and also referred to its splendid prospects in the future. We have not space to give a report of this eloquent address as we should like, and must therefore omit much that would no doubt prove interesting to our readers. The *Conversazione* in the evening was held under the auspices of the Literary Association. Some five hundred ladies and gentlemen were present. The evening was principally put in by promenading and social chat. The band supplied excellent music to the time of which the promenading was done. —*Toronto Evening Tribune*.

—WOODSTOCK LITERARY INSTITUTE.—Having been appointed to attend the Examination of the Literary Department, we present the following Report:—"We were present at the examination of almost every class, and must express our pleasure with the results as a whole. But as the work of the past term has been much interrupted by an unusual amount of sickness amongst both teachers and pupils, we will not attempt to enter into details. We were disappointed at not finding several pupils—especially among the ladies—who last year gave promise of becoming good students, but who, like some others, have left their course half completed. The plan adopted last year of giving some time and attention to drill in the Junior Classics, has been attended with very good results; and a more complete staff of teachers would enable the faculty to show even more satisfactory results in that and other subjects. We are glad to learn that there is a good prospects of in-