HISTORICAL SKETCH

BISHOP'S COLLEGE SCHOOL.

About the year 1837, the Rev. Lucius Doolittle, a clergyman of New England birth, who lived and laboured as a missionary at Lennoxville, P.Q., started at that place a school for boys, to which came the sons of several English gentlemen who had settled in the neighbouring townships. This school-conducted in a primitive house in a primitive settlement, to which the Indians still made their yearly visit and bartered their peltries at their camp on what is now the College Island-was the nucleus from which sprang the institution whose Jubilee, together with that of the College of which it is the junior department, we celebrate this June of 1895.

Situated as Lennoxville is on the main lines of three important railways, and within half-a mile of a fourth, it is amazing to note the change from the state of things that existed in the early forties, when Boys came from Quebec or Montreal by stage, and when the wolves, howling in the woods, kept all would-be truants shivering in their bunks in the old wooden schoolhouse.

Mr. Doohttle's first assistant or usher was a Mr. DeBeaumont, a man of poetical and literary tastes, who was succeeded by Mr. Wm. Wallace.

In 1841 there came as a master Mr. Edward Chapman, M.A., of Gonville and Caius College, Cambridge, who had been for some time an assistant in Dr. Lundy's Classical School at Quebec, and who, as Rector, Professor and Bursar, gave all his energies to the welfare of Bishop's College and School, and having lived a blameless life, full of honour and good deeds, died on May 26th, 1895.