

29th, lightning with thunder and rain. Wind storms, 4th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 13th, 14th. Fogs, 1st, 4th, 10th, 20th, 21st, 22nd, 28th, 30th. Rain, 4th, 5th, 7th, 9th—14th, 16th, 17th, 19th, 22nd, 23rd, 26th—30th. Month very cold, wet and unfavorable to vegetation, though the hardier plants do not seem to have suffered. The late heavy rains have injured the low lying lands.

HAMILTON.—On 2nd, horse chestnuts and lilac in bloom; a very brilliant meteor at 9 P.M. in NW, 45° high, fell NW, trail much more brilliant than usual. 19th, lightning with thunder and rain. 22nd, roses in bloom. 27th, storm of lightning, thunder and rain passed over this city in the evening; the rain fell in torrents, the streets were deluged, and the extraordinary depth of 3.5008 inches was indicated by the rain gauge. At Woodstock, 47 miles west of this station, the storm came in hail, the stones of which were not all melted at noon the next day. The observer was informed that one piece measured 9 inches in length, 7 in breadth and 1½ inch thickness; over 50,000 panes of glass were broken in that town. 29th, field potatoes in bloom. 30th, grapes in bloom, but the season too cold, wet and cloudy for them. Very slight frost on 7th, temperature being just 32°. High winds, 10th—18th, 22nd—24th, 28th. Rain, 1st, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 7th, 10th—14th, 17th, 19th, 20th, 24th, 26th, 27th, 29th—30th.

PREMBROKE.—On 5th, two shooting stars a little SE of Z, between 10 and 11 P.M. 10th, fog. 13th, thunder. 14th, thunder with rain. 22nd and 23rd, lightning and thunder with rain. Wind storms, 4th, 5th, 11th, 13th, 14th, 15th, 23rd, 30th. Rain, 4th—7th, 10th, 11th, 13th—15th, 18th, 20th, 22nd—24th, 27th—29th. Month remarkable for the large amount of rain, exceeding that of any previous month. During the thunder storm of the 22nd, which lasted but 25 minutes, 1.0585 inch of rain fell, and the observer never before witnessed so heavy a fall. The mean temperature was remarkably low, and the ranges less than usual.

PETERBOROUGH.—On 16th, a high current SW, lower W, and a surface current SW; at night a narrow rim of auroral light over NH; immediately before and after sunset a remarkable band of coloured haze along E and SEH, about 10° high, deep blue, with an upper edging of pink. 18th, at 11 A.M. temperature rose quite suddenly, cold objects in houses becoming moist, and mucilage on stamps dissolving; at 7 P.M. temperature fell as suddenly on the appearance of some small dark, low nimbi at NWH, which rose quickly and scattered over the sky, the atmosphere immediately became quite chilly. 29th, at 10.20 P.M. a few light streamers appeared for a short time, but no auroral light. 30th, distant rumbling of thunder about 2 A.M., no lightning. Month cold and vegetation slow, the surface saturated with moisture. Two phenomena are mentioned as distinguishing this month:—1st. The prevalence of two strata of clouds. 2nd. The sky, during almost the whole month, covered with haze, sometimes very dense. Frost, 7th and 9th. Fog, 9th. Rain, 4th, 5th, 7th, 10th, 13th, 14th, 16th, 19th, 20th, 27th—30th.

STRATFORD.—On 1st, forest trees in leaf. 10th, a succession of light thunder storms from 1.15 till 4 P.M. On Sunday, 27th, thunder storm; 4.15 P.M., thunder in W nimbi, moving SW—NE, wind E (2); 4.45 P.M., lightning; 4.50 P.M., rain; 5.50 P.M., wind E (4); 5.55 P.M., wind SW (2), rain very heavy; 6 P.M., wind W (6), rain so heavy that objects 400 feet away were not visible; 6.30 P.M., heavy rain and thunder ceased; 7.40 P.M., wind NW (3); 9.30 P.M., rain ceased; depth 1.4321, nearly all of which fell between 5.55 and 6.30 P.M. Lightning with rain, 19th; and with thunder and rain, 29th.

Comparative Statement of Rain Fall in June for Nine Years.

Year.	No. of days.	Duration in hours.	Depth in inches.
1861.....	11	42.40	2.3068
1862.....	8	31.55	3.8408
1863.....	9	42.25	1.4627
1864.....	4	13.45	0.3781
1865.....	12	39.20	2.8159
1866.....	16	87.05	3.7162
1867.....	8	32.40	3.2271
1868.....	11	56.35	5.8559
1869.....	22	151.50	8.9111

Frost, 6th, 7th, 12th. Wind storms, 10th, 13th, 14th, 27th. Rain, 1st, 4th, 5th, 7th, 9th—15th, 17th, 19th—22nd, 24th, 26th—30th.

VII. Educational Intelligence.

—QUEEN'S COLLEGE.—The Kingston News says:—"The Board of Trustees has appointed the Rev. George Ferguson, B.A., of L'Original, to be Professor of History and English Literature and Lecturer on Modern Languages. This we deem a most important step towards increasing the efficiency of the Arts Department, while we are led to understand that there is but one opinion among those who know Professor Ferguson most intimately, and are most competent to judge of his qualifications as to his peculiar fitness for the teaching of these subjects. We hear from Hamilton that a gentleman in Montreal has given \$7,000 towards the supplementary endowment of \$50,000, which it is now proposed to raise specially for the support of new chairs. We also learn that Dr. Bethune, of Glanford, a distinguished graduate of Queen's, has been elected to represent the University at the Medical Council of Ontario for the next three years, and that the Rev. Donald Ross, M.A., B.D., of Chatham, Quebec, has been elected a trustee in the room of the Rev. George D. Ferguson, appointed to the new professorship."

—HELLMUTH'S LADIES' COLLEGE, LONDON.—This College, to be opened on the 1st of September next. The buildings, which are of a very

picturesque and substantial kind, have been erected at a cost from thirty-five to forty thousand dollars; the land upon which they stand is 140 acres. The main building is 117 feet in length, by 60 feet in depth, having spacious corridors on each floor. It contains a chapel, spacious classrooms, dining-hall, library, drawing-rooms, parlours, and bed-rooms, a sanatorium, bath-rooms supplied with hot and cold water on each floor, together with all suitable conveniences. Especial care has been devoted to the proper heating and ample ventilation of all the apartments, and nothing seems to have been omitted in order to make it a pleasant home and a perfect educational establishment. We gather from the prospectus issued that the object of this Institution, as contemplated by its founder, Dean Hellmuth, is to provide a thorough, liberal, and useful education for young ladies, adapted to their wants in life, and based upon the soundest Christian principles, as the only solid basis for the right formation of character. During his recent visit to Europe, Dean Hellmuth had the opportunity of selecting a staff of experienced European teachers, and secured the services of Mrs. Mills (late Lady Principal of Queen's College, London, England), as its Principal. It is seldom that it falls to the lot of one man to be the instrument of so much good within a single community, and the public spirit and worthy object which we see associated with the name of Dean Hellmuth are certainly deserving of wide appreciation and especial commendation. We wish him all success.—Globe.

—ALBERT COLLEGE.—The third Annual Convocation of this Institution was held on Tuesday, 29th ult., in the hall of the College, which was crowded to excess by an attentive and deeply interested audience. The proceedings excited a high degree of interest, which was well sustained throughout, and which answers well for the future utility and prosperity of the College. After prayer by the venerable Bishop Richardson, of the M. E. Church, Mr. H. F. Gardiner delivered an excellent oration on "Superstition," being his thesis for the degree of Bachelor of Arts. Mr. D. Macintyre read his essay on "Atila," to which was awarded the prize for English Composition; and Mr. R. C. Clute read his prize poem on the subject of "Dante." Both these compositions were highly creditable to their respective authors, and were loudly applauded by the audience. Next in order was the admission to degrees. The degree of Master of Arts was conferred upon Mr. J. H. Bell, and Mr. H. F. Gardiner was admitted to the degree of Bachelor of Arts. Certificates of Honor were given to various students. On delivering each certificate and prize, the President, Rev. A. Carman, addressed a few words of advice and encouragement to the several recipients; and, at the close of the proceedings, addressed the assembly in a short, but highly effective and patriotic speech, setting forth the advantages of a higher standard of education, both in letters, art and science, and the manifold blessings we enjoy under the rule of our Most Gracious Queen, and the shadow of the British Constitution. On Wednesday, Prof. J. T. Bell communicated to the Board of Management the action of the County Council of Hastings, in endowing a chair of Mines and Agriculture in the College; and the conditions accompanying the grant, which were accepted by the Board, and Professor Bell appointed on the regular staff of the Institution. The Professor also informed the Board, that he was commissioned by a gentleman of the town to offer for competition among the students of the ensuing year, an elegant copy of the works of one of the first poets, as a prize for the best composition in English verse, to be used at the Convocation of 1870.—Belleville Intelligence.

—LORETTO CONVENT.—The examination and distribution of prizes in Loretto Convent took place on the 3rd and 5th inst., in the Bond street house. The stage was very tastefully arranged. Several splendid specimens of the young ladies' skill in embroidery, fancy work, drawing and painting, were displayed around the rooms. Six pianos and two harps were provided for the musical part of the programme. His Lordship the Bishop of Toronto presided. Their Lordships the Bishops of Sandwich, Hamilton and Buffalo, were also present. A large crowd of ladies and gentlemen, including some of our prominent citizens, com-