

of Cobourg, sang divinely, as she always does. Mrs. Gilbert and Mr. Smith, of Toronto, gave several pieces together, and singly, which were loudly applauded, and Mr. George Neilson, of Belleville.

—**QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY.**—A meeting of Convocation of Queen's University was held in Kingston, on the 5th ult. After the reading of the minutes of former Convocation, the class prizes were distributed to the successful students by the respective Professors. Next the University prizes were announced, and afterwards the ceremony of laureation was proceeded with. Principal Snodgrass and other Professors gave ample explanations of the nature of the work that had been done during the session; and some very flattering and honourable tributes were paid to different prizemen. The Prince of Wales prize, value sixty dollars, was awarded in a choice collection of books, enough to form the respectable nucleus of a library, to Mr. Thomas H. McGuire, B.A., Kingston. Graduates—Master of Arts: Robert Campbell, B.A., Brockville; also, Rev. W. B. Curran, Montreal, and Rev. J. P. Dumoulin, Montreal, *ad eundem gradum*. Bachelor of Arts: Thomas Horace McGuire, Kingston; Ebenezer D. McLaren, Komoka; George L. B. Fraser, Kingston; Mark Rogers Rowse, Bath; Duncan B. McTavish, Osgoode; Irwin Stuart, Catarqui; Peter S. Livingston, Dawn Mills. The following graduates were elected Fellows of Queen's University. Arts—Robert Campbell, M.A., Brockville. Theology—Rev. Donald Ross, B.D., Chatham, Q. Law—Andrew Thomas Drummond, LL.B., Montreal. Medicine—William Mostyn, M.D., Almonte. The Rev. Professor Mackerras was called upon by the Principal to address a few remarks to the assembled alumni, which he did in the capacity of a fellow-graduate with them, of the University. The Professor's extempore observations were addressed principally with relation to the work of supplemental endowment now going on, and he made a truly eloquent appeal, dressed in chaste and classical allusions, to the graduates to take a proper interest in the future welfare of the College. The Very Rev. Dr. Jenkins, of Montreal, Moderator of Synod, next delivered the academic address. This was lengthy, but unflagging in its interest to those present. It touched upon several points, but dealt principally with the relations of the Church of Scotland in Canada to the University. Dr. Jenkins uttered an aspiration that as here in Kingston was stationed the only Presbyterian College in the Dominion, Queen's University might come to be the one University of the united Presbyterian body in Canada. The Moderator also dwelt at some length on the advantages of a higher education, and of the liberal tendencies of wealthy men at the present day to identify themselves with the higher educational movement, either by founding scholarships, endowing chairs, or, as in the case of one man in the United States, founding and equipping, by his own munificence, an entire University.—*Chronicle and News*.

—**CANADIAN LITERARY INSTITUTE.**—The examinations and closing exercises at the Canadian Literary Institute, during the past week, were more than usually interesting. This, no doubt, may be accounted for by the fact of competition in various classes for a large number of valuable prizes, varying from \$4 to \$16, having been contributed principally by a friend whose name was withheld. There was one very significant fact connected with awarding those prizes—and which must be gratifying to ladies generally—that in nearly every class the lady competitors carried off the palm. This was true in first, second and third year students, and the most remarkable of all was the winning of the first prize of \$16, by Miss Crawford, for an essay on the subject, "A Man's a Man for a' that." The competition in all the classes was large and spirited; and though frequently defeated, the young gentlemen gallantly applauded the achievements of the fair victors. In the competition for prizes in declamation, there were six gentlemen; all acquitted themselves quite satisfactorily to the jurors, who regretted that they could not award each a prize. The first was given to Mr. J. J. White, the second to J. P. McEwan. On Thursday evening, a public meeting was held in the lecture room, when the graduating class delivered each a valedictory address, followed by the principal. The singing, under the

guidance of Mr. J. J. White,—Mrs. Revel at the piano—was the best we have heard in Woodstock for years, especially the piece entitled "The Heavens are Telling."—*Woodstock Times*.

—**BISHOP STRACHAN'S SCHOOL BUILDING.**—The new building, lately erected for this school, is situated near the intersection of Yonge Street with the College Avenue, completely embowered among the fine old trees of the beautiful property, lately known as the Macaulay homestead. The residence of the late Judge Macaulay formed but the nucleus of the new building, which has a frontage facing on the south of nearly 100 feet by a depth of about 62 feet. It is built entirely of red brick on a stone foundation, and is four stories high, inclusive of basement, which is well elevated above the ground. The front is divided systematically into centre and wings. The centre contains the main entrance, and is finished at the top with a heavily bracketed pediment; the wings are well advanced from the main building, and terminating as semi-octagons. A cantilevered cornice runs around the whole building, and a large glazed cupola surmounts the roof, affording a fine view in all directions. Extending the whole length of the east side of the house is a broad verandah, from which the visitors' entrance is reached. The purchase of the ground, and the erection of buildings, furnishings, &c., has been accomplished at a cost of over \$30,000. The building is heated throughout by means of huge coal furnaces.

—**LONDON UNION SCHOOL.**—Mr. T. F. Robb, of New York, but formerly of London, and a pupil in the Union School of that city, has had a medal struck, which is to be given as a reward to the pupil who shall attain the highest general proficiency in that school. The prize has arrived in London, and is a memorial worth striving for. The medal is of gold, of about the same circumference as a silver half-dollar, and about one-half as thick. It is very elegantly ornamented, and the inscriptions and chasing are in the best style of the engraver's art. Its cash value is \$20, and will be awarded at the examination next July.

—**MONTREAL UNIVERSITY.**—The sixteen Scholarships and Exhibitions recently established in the University of Montreal, will, we believe, be of the highest value in raising the standard of education throughout the whole of this Dominion, in which, hitherto, unfortunately, there has been too little of such encouragement to study. Eight of these are open for competition, in September next, to all, whether University or not.

—**THE GREEK ARCHBISHOP AT CAMBRIDGE.**—One of the most crowded congregations of late years was held in the Senate House at Cambridge the other day to witness the ceremony of the conferment of the honorary degree of LL.D. upon the Most Reverend Alexander, Archbishop of Syros; and that of honorary M.A. upon two of the archimandrites in attendance upon him. It was agreed also to confer the honorary degree of Master of Arts upon Professor John N. Valetta, but that gentleman was not present, and the degree will be conferred upon some future occasion. The galleries were crowded with undergraduates. The incident that tickled their fancy most being the entry of two graceful little girls, the daughters of a learned Doctor, with their father. The Doctor wore his scarlet gown as Doctor of Laws, and the little ladies were attired in cloaks of the same scarlet materials, with ermine tippets, and were at once hailed as young doctresses, if such a feminine plural may be allowed. The Archbishop was attired in black robes, and wore a caftan of black lamb-skin, with a pendant behind (veil shaped) of black crape or serge. The archimandrites were attired in black serge robes, and wore black caftans having the appearance of brimless "chimney-pot" hats, and each had a plain Greek cross pendant on his breast. On arriving at the dais, the scene was a brilliant one—the Vice-Chancellor, on assuming his seat, being surrounded by all the most eminent members of the University, and a brilliant array of ladies occupied each side of the Senate House. None of the visitors removed their caftans during any part of the proceedings. In the Senate House, the Archbishop entered into an animated conversation with the Rev. G. Williams, late Fellow of King's College, Cambridge, well known for his