

THE J. ROSS ROBERTSON PRIZES

AT

UPPER CANADA COLLEGE.

THE LIST OF WINNERS OF THE ABOVE PRIZES

FROM 1883-94 INCLUSIVE.

Upper Canada College, after a most successful year, closed its session on June 30th. The examinations were in progress during the closing week, and the awards have been made. Last week the examinations for the J. Ross Robertson prizes were held. The calendar of the College gives the following as the conditions of these prizes:

"The J. Ross Robertson prizes. Books to the value of \$150 are annually presented to the College by J. Ross Robertson, Esq., to be awarded in each form of the College for proficiency in Canadian history and geography. No boy will be allowed to take two prizes in the same school—that is, he may take it once in the lower, once in the middle, and once in the upper school, and to be eligible for the prize in the upper school he must be a pupil of the College for at least a year."

It is understood that the competition has been keen, and that the papers on Canadian history and geography, prepared by an independent examiner appointed by Mr. Robertson himself, show that in no school in the country are students better grounded in the history of their own country. Mr. Dickson, the Principal, in speaking of these prizes, said:—"This has been the most satisfactory examination, so far as the quality of the boys' work indicates, that I have ever seen in the College." These prizes were first given in 1883, and until 1886 were confined to the upper, middle and

lower schools, after which they were increased so as to cover the entire College.

From 1883 until 1894 about 2000 volumes have been distributed in these prizes. The books embraced history, science, art, poetry, and standard literature, including sets of encyclopedias, Waverley novels, Tennyson's works and others of the best class of reading.

The following is a list of the prize winners from 1883 until 1894:—

1883.

Upper Modern—H. F. Gault, son of A. Gault, barrister, Cornwall.

Lower Modern—A. W. Barnard, son of Wm. Barnard, Sutton, Georgina.

1884.

Upper Modern—L. B. Stephenson, now M. A. of Toronto University, son of Rev. F. L. Stephenson, Almonte.

Lower School—W. Cross, Madoc; A. Bethune, son of Dr. Bethune, Wingham, B. A. of Toronto University.

1885.

Upper School—W. Cross, son of T. C. Cross, Madoc.

Lower School—C. R. Willson, son of B. W. Willson, banker, Wingham, Ont.

1886.

Upper School—S. B. Leacock, Sutton, Ont., "head boy" for 1887; B. A. with highest honors in Modern Languages, Toronto University, now first Modern Language master of his old school.

Middle School—G. F. Macdonnell, graduated B. A. last year with first class honors in classics and mathematics, Queen's University, son of Rev. D. J. Macdonnell, Toronto.