

THE PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

FOR 1882-83.

In presenting to the public our Third Annual Report, we are happy to be able to say that the high hopes we entertained at the inauguration of this educational movement have in no degree been disappointed. The Institute is becoming better known, and its reputation steadily extending. By making use of the basement of our Church for our Study and Recitation Room, the accommodations of our building were somewhat increased. Our work is, however, somewhat incommoded by the presence of the Primary School in the same room. But, for the present, this cannot be avoided.

It is hoped that the practical affiliation of the Institute with the Wesleyan College will be a great stimulus, especially to those young men who, like one of old, are compelled to say : "Woe is unto me, if I preach not the Gospel."

The curriculum of study is adapted to the needs of the students, and is more practical than ornate, securing to every one a solid education. The Bible continues to be our standard class-book, and our students are becoming strongly intrenched in its Divine doctrine. Many of them appreciate the saying of John : "I have written unto you, young men, because ye are strong, and the Word of God abideth in you, and ye have overcome the wicked one."

The average attendance during the past year has been somewhat in excess of any previous year. The total attendance has been 30.

Prof. Cornu, the Rev. Frederic W. Crowle, B.A., and Ovide Vien have been our industrious assistants.

The prospect for the coming year widens and brightens. A kind Providence smiles upon this enterprise of our hearts and hands, and is solving for us some problems which have caused us much anxiety and study.

The experience and observations of several years in the brunt of battle and from the watch towers on the frontiers of our work, have made more evident than ever the following important facts :